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MEMORANDUM FROM PRISONER OF WAR RECORDS. No. 47

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| <u>Hammond R. F.</u> | | | | | | <u>Records of</u> | | | | |
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Captured at Atlanta Ga Aug 3, 1864, confined at Richmond, Va., 1864

Admitted to Hospital at _____

where he died _____, 1864, of _____

Paroled at N. E. Ferry N. C. Feb 26, 1865; reported at Camp Parole, Md., March 23, 1865

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of Ill for must-out May 22/65

Furloughed March 23, 1865, for 30 days; returned April 26, 1865

deserted May 2, 1865; reported at Camp Parole, Md., May 17, 1865

Mustered in as Richmond Hammond Pvt.

Co. D. 14 Ill. Cav.

Also borne as Richmond F. Hammond

No other man of this or similar name borne

L. O. Case was Adj. Gen. at the time of the capture of Richmond, Va. May 3, 1865

2. and Case Ref. Dec 17, 1865

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Andersonville

Friday, January 01, 2021

While going thru the military information I have compiled for Richmond F Hammond, I've found that his military records do not match up with the information in the pension file affidavits. One of those areas of 'disagreement' was his imprisonment at Andersonville.

Richmond Hammond's military records indicate that he was missing in action since August 3, 1864. However, his 'Memorandum from Prisoner of War Records' does not list any prisons.

MEMORANDUM FROM PRISONER OF WAR RECORDS

Name: *Hammond, R. F.*
 Rank: *1st Lt.*
 Status: *Missing*
 Date: *Aug 3, 1864*

Admitted to Hospital at: *Fort Mifflin, Pa.*
 when he died: *Feb 25, 1865*

Discharged from Hospital: *May 18, 1865*
 Sent to: *Atlanta, Ga.*
 Date: *May 18, 1865*

Remarks: *See above*

His military record does indicate that he was on the muster roll of detachment of Paroled Prisoners at Benton Barracks, Missouri. The muster roll for May and June 1865 indicates that Richmond Hammond was "Delivered" Feb. 25, 1865 at Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Muster Roll
 of detachment of paroled prisoners at Benton
 Barracks, Missouri,
 for: *May & June, 1865*
 Station: *Benton Barracks, Mo.*

Captured: *Aug 3, 1864*
 When: *Atlanta, Ga.*
 Where: *Atlanta, Ga.*

Delivered: *Feb 25, 1865*
 When: *Goldsboro, N.C.*
 Where: *Goldsboro, N.C.*

Reported at Post: *May 18, 1865*
 Sent from Post: *May 18, 1865*

Remarks: *Sent to state*

Book mark: *Sittler*

The proof for his imprisonment comes from affidavits filed as part of his pension application. The earliest affidavit containing this information is from 1868.

Declaration for Invalid Pension

State of Illinois

County of Knox

On this ____ day of ____ 1868, before me, the clerk of the circuit Court in and for the County and State above named, and by law duly authorized to administer oaths for general purposes, personally appeared Richmond F Hammond who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is aged twenty seven years, and is a resident of Ontario Township County of Knox, in the state of Illinois and that he is the identical Richmond F Hammond who was a Sergeant in Company 'D' commanded by Captain H. C. [Carsics] in the 14th Regiment Cavalry, Ill Volunteers, commanded by Colonel Horace Capun, in the war of 1861 and 1862. That he volunteered as above stated at Galesburg, county of Knox, in the state of Illinois on or about the twenty ninth day of September, 1862, for the term of three years or during the war, and was honorably discharged at Springfield Ill on the Sixteenth day of June, 1865.

That while in the said service and in the line of his duty at Andersonville prions in the State of Georgia on the ____ day of September 1864 he received the following wound or disability, to wit*:

that on or about 5th day of August 1864 he was taken prisoner near Atlanta State of Georgia and taken to Andersonville prison and remained a prisoner about nine months and while in said prison and in the tenure of the United States and in the line of his duty he became diseased with the scurvey which effected the left hip joint attended with the loss of power of the muscle so that he is almost wholly unable to perform manuel labor

That since leaving said service this applicant has resided at Ontario in said county of Knox and his occupation has been farming and his Post-Office address is Oneida Knox county State of Illinois

He makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the Invalid Pension Roll of the United States under the Act of Congress approved July 14, 1862, and amendments thereto, by reason of the disability above stated; and hereby constitutes and appoints Col T C smith his attorney to prosecute this claim and procure a Pension Certificate, and also to receive from the Pension Office the certificate of discharge filed herewith.

Richmond F. Hammond (signature)

Sworn to, subscribed and acknowledged before me, the day and year first above named, and on the same day personally appeared Jehial Hammond and William I Reese residents of Ontario Township County of Knox in the State of Illinois and made oath that they are personally acquainted with Richmond F Hammond who has made and subscribed the foregoing declaration in their presence, and that they have every reason to believe, from teh appearance of teh applicant, and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, that they reside as above stated, and are disinterested in this claim for a Pension.

That since leaving the service of the United States as aforesaid, his habits have been uniformly good, and his occupations has been a farmer

Jehial Hammond (signature)

William I Reece (signature)

Sworn to and subscribed before me; and I certify that i am not interested in this claim or concerned in its prosecution; that i believe the affiants to be respectable and credible witnesses, and that the claimant is the person he represents himself to be.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this 28th day of March A.D., 1868

Joh[?] A]berdein Clerk

A General Affidavit dated 8 Mar 1898 provides further information about Richmond Hammond's imprisonment.

General Affidavit

State of Kansas County of Ford

In the matter of Richmond F Hammond late member Co D 14" Reg't III Cav Vols

On this 8 day of March A.D. 1898, personally appeared before me Richmond F Hammond aged 17 years, a resident of Dodge City in the county of Ford and state of Kansas and well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declares in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

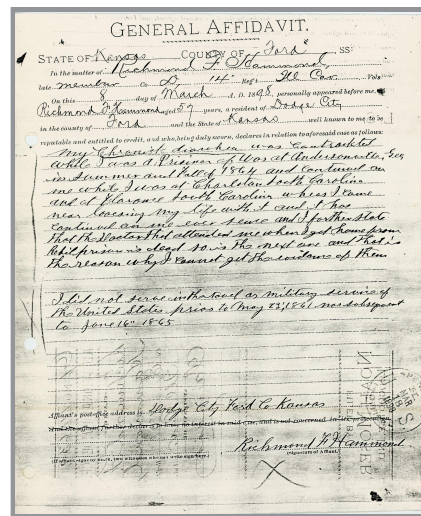
my chronick diarehea was contracted while I was a prisoner of War at Andersonville, Geo in the summer and Fall of 1864 and continued on me while I was at Charleston South Carolina and at Florence South Caroline wheas I cam near loosin my life with it and it has continued on me ever sinse and I farther state that the Doctor that attended me when I got home from rebel prison is dead so is the next one and that is the reason why I cannot get the evidence of them.

I did not serve in the Navel or military services of the United States prior to May 23, 1861 and no subsequent to June 16 1865

Affiant's post office address is Dodge City Ford Co Kansas

Richmond F Hammond (signature)

stamped 18 Mar 1898

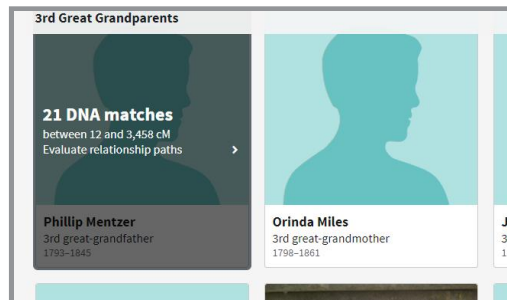


Even though the memorandum from prisoner of war records does not list Andersonville, I believe that the two affidavits supplied by Richmond Hammond are sufficient proof of his imprisonment at Andersonville.

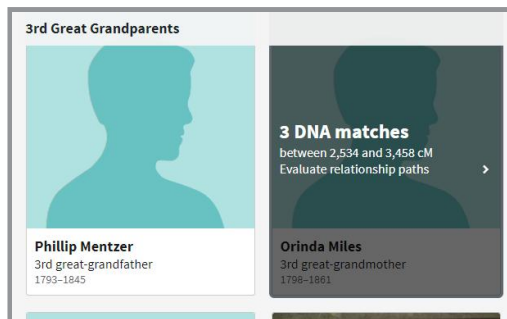
ThruLines Mystery

Saturday, January 02, 2021

When I collected the data for my ThruLines Summary post, I noticed an irregularity in the number of matches for Orinda Miles. My ancestor, Phillip Mentzer, has 21 ThruLines.



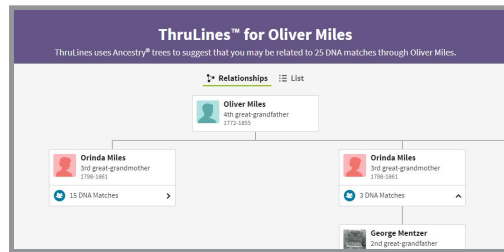
Since I am unaware of a second marriage, I expect 21 DNA matches for both Phillip and Orinda Miles. However, I only have THREE matches for Orinda Miles.



When I compiled the data, I colored the text for Orinda's results in RED so that I would remember this discrepancy.

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| Orinda Reed | 11 | 11 | 10 | 12 |
| Samuel Christy | 16 | 16 | 14 | 20 |
| Lyda Gallmore | 12 | 14 | 11 | 14 |
| Phillip Mentzer | 21 | 26 | 22 | 25 |
| Orinda Miles | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| John Minnick | 16 | 15 | 14 | 17 |
| Elizabeth Jones | 16 | 15 | 14 | 17 |
| Ozias Wells | 26 | 21 | 23 | 33 |
| Marc Kennedy | 26 | 21 | 22 | 32 |

Thinking I had somehow recorded the wrong wife for Phillip Mentzer, I decided to compare my tree with the trees of my DNA matches for Phillip Mentzer. Most of those trees also list Orinda Miles as the wife of Phillip Mentzer. Curious, I looked at the ThruLines for Orinda's father, Oliver Miles.



That's when I discovered that I have an additional 15 DNA matches for Orinda Miles, but they are listed as a separate child from my Orinda Miles lines.

Since some records spell her name as Orenda or Orindia, I have added Alternate Names in hopes that I can 'force' the ThruLines computers to merge these two Orinda Miles.

2020 Stats / 2021 Goals

Saturday, January 02, 2021

In my last years of teaching, our career and technical education instructors were learning to use 'Smart Goals' for their program improvement plans. A 'Smart Goal' is specific, measurable, attainable, relevant and time-based.

Unfortunately, I haven't applied my knowledge of 'Smart Goals' to my genealogy. If someone asked me what my goal has been for the past couple of years, my answer would be find the parents of my ancestor, James Crawford. This goal is specific. It is measurable in that I either find them or I don't. Since James Crawford is one of my brick walls, I would say it is a relevant goal. After about 40 years of genealogy research, much of it spent figuring out my Crawford lineage, I'm beginning to wonder if this goal is attainable. And it definitely isn't time based.

Even though I haven't met that goal, I feel like I have made progress. I definitely know more about the Crawford and related families that were in early Garrard County, Kentucky. However, this progress is difficult to measure. My RootsMagic and Ancestry Tree statistics do show growth, but not specifically toward this goal.

2019 2020 RootsMagic People 14392 18180 RootsMagic Families 4782 5836
RootsMagic Events 41600 55042 RootsMagic Places 4724 7233 RootsMagic Sources
4128 4758 RootsMagic Citations 56690 71098 Ancestry Tree: People 13907 17659
Ancestry Tree: Photos 7986 13198 Ancestry Tree: Records 8657 12269

Since I tend to post my findings on my blog, the number of posts should reflect my progress. In 2019, I published 265 posts. In 2020, I only published 60 posts. I think that decline in posts reflects the loss of focus the pandemic brought to my research and especially to my blogging.

To help me get back on track, I've started working on some specific, measurable and attainable goals:

- Continue posting narrative reports for my 2nd great grandparents with the goal of posting one a month
- Clean up sources
- Verify that sentences read correctly
- Continue documenting DNA ThruLines for my 3rd great grandparents and document any new ThruLines for grandparents thru 2nd great grandparents
- Continue updating descendency research for these ancestors
- Post a descendency list report
- Begin documenting Crawford families in Montgomery County, Virginia from its formation to at least 1820 using resources available on the web and posting my findings
- land records
- tax records
- vital records
- Learn to use RootsMagic 8
- Continue working with a small file on the preview program
- Report issues as I encounter them
- As new updates are released, re-test previously reported issues
- Figure out a 'citation naming' protocol to use when I transfer my genealogy file
- participate in the Facebook group and any applicable forum

Instead of adding more goals, I'm going to stop here in hopes that I can attain these goals.

Richmond F. Hammond

Sunday, January 03, 2021

Richmond Fisk Hammond was born on 20 Nov 1840 in Licking, Ohio, United States. 1–11 Richmond Hammond was listed on the 1850 US Census. It appears he is the sole member of the household since the rest of the family is not listed on the previous page. According to the census, Richmond was 10 years old and born in Ohio. 12 Rich F Hammond is listed on the 1860 census in the household of Horatio Hammond. According to the 1860 census, Rich was 19 years old and born in Ohio. 13

He began military service as a private in Company E 17 Ills Vols on 25 May 1861 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States. 11, 14–16 He was honorably discharged on 21 Aug 1861 in Missouri, United States. 11 Richmond reenlisted in the 1st Illinois Cavalry Volunteers on 1 Mar 1862. 11, 15, 17 He was discharged from the 1st Illinois Cavalry Volunteers on 14 Jul 1862 in Saint Louis, St. Louis (city), Missouri, United States. 11 He enlisted as a private in Company H of the 102nd Infantry on 26 Jul 1862 in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States. 8, 17–19 Richmond deserted on 2 Sep 1862 at Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States. 17 He enlisted as a private in Company D of the 14 Illinois Cavalry on 29 Sep 1862. 11, 17 On 1 Mar 1863, he was appointed Sergeant in company D 14 Illinois Cavalry. 11 Richmond was captured near Atlanta, Georgia. on 3 Aug 1864. 11, 20 He was held prisoner at Andersonville in Georgia, United States. 11 He was held as a prisoner in Charleston, South Carolina. 11 Richmond was held prisoner in Florence, South Carolina. 11 In May 1865, he was stationed as part of a detachment of paroled prisoners at Benton Barracks in Benton, Missouri. 11 He was mustered out by telegram on 12 May 1865 in Springfield, Illinois. 11

He married Sarah Ellen Ralston on 1 Jan 1867 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States. 2, 21–28

On 6 Feb 1868, Estella Mabel Hammond was born in in Illinois, United States. 27, 29

Richmond received pension on 11 Apr 1868. 30

On 28 Nov 1868, Forest Clinton Hammond was born in in Illinois, United States. 27

Richmond F Hammond was listed as the head of household on the 1870 U.S. Census. According to the census, Richmond was 29 years old and born in Ohio. Also listed in the household was Sarah, Stella, and Forrest Hammond. 31

On 23 Nov 1871, Nellie Elida Hammond was born in in Illinois, United States. 27

On 9 Feb 1874, Josie Winifred Hammond was born in in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States. 27 He was listed on the tax rolls in 1875 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States. 32

He witnessed the birth of Glenn M Hammond on 4 Sep 1877. 2 Richmond witnessed the death of Glenn M Hammond on 11 Feb 1878. 2

On 11 Jun 1879, Clyde Nelson Hammond was born. 27

Richmond F Hammond was listed on the 1880 census as the head of household.

According to the census, Richmond was a 39 year old farmer who was born in Ohio. Also living in the household was his wife, Sarah E, daughters: Estella M, Nellie E and Josie W; and sons: Forest C and Clyde N. 33

He lived in Kansas, United States in 1884. 28 On 1 Oct 1885, he filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim for the n-w1/4, s-e 1/4 and s-w 1/4 of n-e 1/4 and s-e 1/4 of n-w 1/4 and n-e 1/4 of s-w 1/4 of sec 20 tp 27 s of r 14 w in Larned, Pawnee, Kansas, United States. 34 Richmond lived in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States in 1886. 10 On 31 Mar 1886, he was a member the Lewis Post G.A.R. in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 35 On 24 Jun 1886, he went to Hodgeman county to put up a farm house and was absent a few weeks. 36

On 21 Jan 1887, Richmond filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim and that said proof will be made for his Homestead Application for the lots 1 and 2 and S 1-2 N E 1/4 sec 6 Twp 27 S R26 W in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 37 In Aug 1887, he had the contract for building the new school houses in district No. 28 and in district no. 57 in Ford, Kansas, United States. 38 He was on list of petit jurors on 13 Nov 1888 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 39

Richmond presented a program titled, "Profits of Sorghum for Feed and Syrup," at Farmer's Convention in Feb 1889 in Ford, Ford, Kansas, United States. 40- 41 He was listed on the 'Enrollment of Civil War Veterans' on 8 Mar 1889 in Ford, Ford, Kansas, United States. 20 On 5 Jun 1889, he was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 20, 42

Richmond filed land papers regarding land being lots 1 and 2 and the S 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 6 Township 27 Range 26 on 13 Dec 1889 in Ford, Ford, Kansas, United States. 43

He was member of the Lewis Post No. 294 G. A. R. serving as O.D. on 9 Jan 1890 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 44

He filed land entry papers full payment has been made for the northwest quarter of the south east quarter; the south west quarter of the north east quarter; the south east quarter of the north west quarter and the north east quarter of the south west quarter of section twenty in township twenty seven South of range fourteen West of the sixth Principal Meridian containing one hundred and sixty acres on 26 Feb 1890 in Kansas. 45- 46

In Mar 1891, Richmond received an increase in his pension in Kansas. 47 He was the Commander of Lewis Post, G.A.R., has been appointed an aide de camp on the Staff of the National Commander of the G.A.R. in 1892. 48- 49 He was called before the Kinsley medical pension board on 10 Feb 1892 . 50

Richmond was a member of the Grand Templar Lodge serving as Sentinel on 25 Mar 1892 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 51- 52 In 1894, he was a member of the Lewis Post No. 394 Grand Army of Republic having served as a seargeant in the Illinois cavalry in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 53- 54

On 1 Apr 1897, Hattie Louisa Hammond was born. 27

He married Mary McClure on 7 Nov 1897 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 6,

23, 27, 55 On 31 Dec 1897, he was a member of the Lewis Post of the G.A.R. in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 56

Richmond Hammond was listed on the 1900 census as the head of household. According to the census, Richmond was born Nov 1840 in Ohio and was 59 years old. Mary was listed as Richmond's second wife. Also in the household was a daughter, Hattie, a son Clyde, stepdaughters Gertrude and Olive Myers and a stepson, Allen Myers. 57

R F Hammond was listed on the 1905 Kansas census as the head of household. According to the census, R. F. Hammond was 64 years old. Also listed in his household were Forrest and Hattie Hammond. 4 In 1906, Richmond was a member of the Lewis Post G.A.R. in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 58

He married Mary A. Reynolds on 29 Oct 1906 in Kinsley, Edwards, Kansas, United States. 27

He purchased land being lots 11 and 12 in block 18 on 4 Aug 1908 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 59 In 1909, he resided in Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States. 11

Richmond sold land being lots 11 and 12 of Block 18 on Wet Spruce Street to Margaret P. Glasgow on 29 Jan 1909 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 60

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He was admitted to the soldiers' home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States on 8 Apr 1914. 15 Richmond was discharged from Sawtelle Soldier's home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States on 21 Apr 1914. 15 He was readmitted to Sawtelle Soldier's home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States on 26 Sep 1917. He was discharged from Sawtelle Soldier's home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States on 14 Apr 1920. Richmond was readmitted to Sawtelle Soldier's home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States on 26 Jul 1920. 15 He was discharged from Sawtelle Soldier's home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States on 26 Apr 1922. 15 He was admitted to Sawtelle Soldier's home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States on 28 Oct 1922. 15 Richmond lived at Soldier's Home in Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States in 1926. 64

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Sarah Hammond

Tuesday, January 05, 2021

Sarah Ellen Ralston Hammond

One source indicates **Sarah Ellen Ralston** was born on 11 May 1848. 1

Most sources indicate she was born on 11 May 1849 in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States. 2– 9

She was the child of James Barr Ralston. 10

Sarah E. Ralston was listed on the 1850 census as a 1 year old female born in Pennsylvania. Sarah was listed in the household of James B Ralston in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania.. 11

Sarah lived in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States in 1854. 8

Sarah Ralston was listed on the 1860 census as an 11 year old born in Pennsylvania. She was living in the household of J. B. Ralston. in Ontario, Knox County, Illinois. 12 .

She married Richmond Fisk Hammond on 1 Jan 1867 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States. 1, 3, 8, 13– 18

On 6 Feb 1868, a daughter, Estella Mabel Hammond, was born in in Illinois, United States. 18– 19

On 28 Nov 1868, a son, Forest Clinton Hammond, was born in in Illinois, United States. 18

Sarah was listed on the 1870 census as the wife of Richmond F Hammond living in Ontario Township, Knox County, Illinois. According to the census, Sarah was 21 years old and was born in Pennsylvania.. 20– 21

On 23 Nov 1871, a daughter, Nellie Elida Hammond, was born in in Illinois, United States. 18

She lived in Iowa, United States in 1874. 22

On 9 Feb 1874, a daughter, Josie Winifred Hammond, was born in in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States. 18

, A son, Glenn M Hammond, was born.

She witnessed the death of a son, Glenn M Hammond, on 11 Feb 1878. 1

On 11 Jun 1879, Clyde Nelson Hammond was born. 18

In Jul 1880, Sarah was listed as Sarah E. Hammond, a 31 year old female born in Pennsylvania, in the household of Richmond F. Hammond on the census living in Union, Hardin, Iowa, United States. 23

She lived in Kansas, United States in 1884. 22

She died on 18 Oct 1892 at the age of 43 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 1, 3– 4, 6, 8– 9, 24– 25

Sarah was buried on 20 Oct 1892 at Maple Grove Cemetery in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 4, 8, 26– 30

Obituary

Died at her home in this city, October 19th, 1892, Mrs Sarah Ellen Ralston, wife of our esteemed townsman, R. F. Hammond.

Mrs. Hammond was born in Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, May 11th, 1848. She moved with her parents to Knox county, Illinois, in 1854, where she was married to R. F. Hammond, who during her long years of suffering patiently ministered at her bedside, and generously sacrificed all else for her comfort.

They were married on New Year's Day of 1867, and three years after Mrs. Hammond developed the incurable form of scrofula from which for 23 years, she was a sufferer and endured a lingering death with Christian faith and heroism. In 1874 they moved to Iowa, and from there in 1884 to Kansas. At an early period of her life, Mrs. Hammond accepted the teaching of Jesus, and became one of his most ardent disciples. In the storm of physical agony that swept over her life, she ever realized that the divine area was underneath her, and she distinctly heard the voice of the Redeemer say — "Peace be still". She endured her trials and bore her burden for Jesus's sake, and illustrated to her friends, the power there is in a child-like faith in God. The services in her memory were held at the First Presbyterian church and were conducted by Rev. S E. Busser. The interment was made in the G.A.R. cemetery. The entire community aimed to express to Mr. Hammond and his family the sympathy they felt, and the offering of the hope-reviving flowers laid on her casket with tearful appreciation of her worth, was very beautiful and suggestive. A large detail of soldiers from the Home and the city, representing Lewis Post G.A.R. of which Mr. Hammond is the Commander, attended the funeral in a body, and assisted their comrades in this the severest battle of his life.

The text taken for her funeral service was Matthew 11, 26 and 29: "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn of me, and ye shall find rest unto your souls". The music was provided by Mr. T. C. Owen and his accomplished daughter Miss Anna. The lesson of her faith and patience was developed by the minister and the sweet word "Come" of the text seemed to be uttered by her to all her friends here below, and every one realized the blessedness of that text that rest to the people of God. The storm is over, the harbor of haven reached and the welcome words heard, "Enter into the joy of the Lord".

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RootsMagic Clean-Up

Wednesday, January 06, 2021

It's the first of a new year and as is typical of a new year, resolutions are proposed to become better organized when it comes to one's genealogy. Usually those resolutions deal with paper files, photos or even digital files. Sometimes, thanks to Thomas MacEntee, that resolution might involve a 'genealogy do-over' or serious review of ones data.

For me, my resolution needs to be about cleaning up my RootsMagic 7 data. As I'm participating in a review of RootsMagic 8 (think public beta testing on steroids), I'm finding that there are issues with my data in RootsMagic 7 that should be resolved prior to the release of RootsMagic 8.

For me, this clean up began with source templates. Because I had merged RootsMagic files by dragging data from one RM file into my primary file, I ended up with duplicate source templates. Thanks to the various people that contribute to SQLite Tools for Roots Magic, I was able to use the SQL function to merge most of these duplicated source templates. Even after carefully working my way thru this process, I ended up with a few remaining 'duplicates'. My few remaining duplicates were renamed so that I wouldn't use them when creating new sources.

RootsMagic 8 introduces the ability to merge duplicate sources and citations. This means that the census source and its source details (citation) that I copied / pasted to each member of the household becomes one citation after the merge. This one citation can be edited and have those edits automatically applied to each of its uses.

As I'm learning to use these new capabilities with a test file, it was recommended that I clean up my places prior to merging the sources and citations. As I've added data to an individual in RM 7, I've noticed that I am prompted with multiple choices when I start entering place data. Sometimes, I've taken the time to go to my places list and merge those duplicates so that I'm only prompted with one place. However, I haven't done a thorough cleanup of my places — and they are a mess!

For example, I can have the following entries for a state

- , Kentucky, USA
- ,, Kentucky
- Kentucky
- Kentucky, United States
- Kentucky, USA



Merging these duplicate places is fairly simple — but will be time consuming.

1. Click on place to KEEP
2. Click on Merge
3. Click on duplicate entries [be careful here – many townships and counties are in multiple states]
4. Click on the MERGE SELECTED PLACES button



Another area that I need to 'clean up' is my source list. For most of my sources, I've used the same naming pattern for that type of source. Thus, theoretically, all of my census sources would be listed together alphabetically. This works as long as I follow that pattern. However, I have quite a few census sources whose name starts with the year instead of the word census. Thus, they aren't in the same area of my sources list as my other census sources.

Fixing the source list issue is a matter of renaming the sources that are out of place.

For additional ways to clean-up my RootsMagic data, I'm going to refer to the 2018 RootsMagic TV video, *Cleaning Your Family Tree in RootsMagic*.

These tasks will be tedious and time consuming. However, I'm guessing that my data will work better in RootsMagic 8 because of the time I spend cleaning it up now.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, January 07, 2021

Hey, extended family, **THANK YOU for helping!** I have some photos that need names attached and a couple of cousins came thru with names

Is this first photo of Hugh and Gladys Crawford? Yes – this is my great uncle Hugh Crawford and his wife, Gladys. If so, who is the young couple? The young couple is their daughter, her husband and child.



Here's another photo that I think is of Hugh and Gladys — it even says so on the back. However, none of the younger adults or children are identified. **Thanks to a cousin**, I now have the names of each individual in this picture! These are the children and grandchildren of Hugh and Gladys Crawford.



I think the shirtless man in the next photo is my father. However, I don't know who the other man is or where this picture was taken.



For this last set of photos, I have absolutely no idea who the people are or whose house is in the background.

Well, the first cousin who was so helpful with the above pictures did not know who these individuals are. Thinking these might not be from my dad's side (Crawford) of the family, I decided to contact a daughter of a cousin on my mom's side. ***And she came thru!*** These are cousins on my mom's side of the family.



So cousins, can you help?

THANK YOU for your help!

Another Andersonville

Friday, January 08, 2021

In a recent post, I wrote about how I had to use affidavits from Richmond Fisk Hammond's pension record to piece together his imprisonment in Andersonville. A reader of that post commented in wonder that any records of imprisonment were kept.

The image shows two pages of military muster rolls for Washington M. Crawford, Co. H, 2 Regt N.Y. Cavalry. The left page is a 'Company Muster Roll' for May and June 1864, showing he was 'Absent'. The right page is a 'Co. Muster-Out Roll' dated Sept 10, 1864, showing he was a 'Prisoner of War since Sept 22, 1863'.

Unfortunately, I have a second ancestor who was also in Andersonville. Various aspects of Washington Marion Crawford's military and pension file speak to his being captured and imprisoned.

In the two frames of his muster roll shown on the right, the May and June 1864 report indicates that Washington M Crawford was reported absent. The remarks say that he was "Missing in action since Sept. 22, 1863". The Co. Muster-Out Roll, dated Sept. 10, 1864 indicates he was a "Prisoner of War since Sept. 22, 1863."

His file also contains the record, "Memorandum from Prisoner of War Records," which identifies Andersonville as a place of imprisonment.

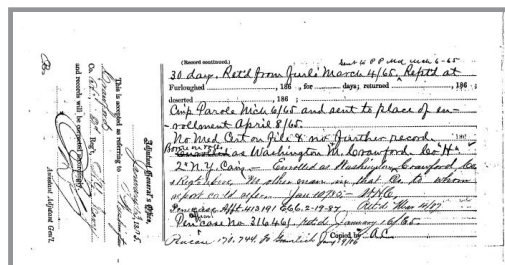
The image shows a 'MEMORANDUM FROM PRISONER OF WAR RECORDS' form for Washington M. Crawford. It details his capture at Liberty Mills, Va, Sept 22, 1863, confinement at Richmond, Va, Sept 23, 1863, and his journey to Andersonville, Ga, Feb 1864. It also notes his parole at Charleston S.C. Dec 10, 1864, and his report at C.G.B., Md., Dec 17, 1864.

This document indicates that "Crawford, W. M., Crawford Marion Washington, Crawford, Washington" was 'Captured at Liberty Mills, Va, Sept 22, 1863, confined at Richmond Va., Sept 23, 1863. Sent to Andersonville, or Americus, Ga. Feb 1864.' The form goes on to indicate that Washington Crawford was "Paroled at Charleston S.C. Dec 10, 1864; reported at C.G.B., Md., Dec 17", 1864. Admitted to Hosp'l Div No 1, C.P. Dec 17 /64.

Furloughed Dec 30 /64 for [Clo Mch] /65, (Paid Sept & Oct 64) see Pens Case 7-18-77 (over)

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30 day. Ret'd from furlo' March 4 / 65 Sent to P P Md Mch 6-65 Rept'd at Cmp Parole Mich 6/65 and sent to place of enrollment April 8 / 65. No Med Cert on file & No further record [Bome] on rolls as Washington M. Crawford, Co "H" 2" N.Y. Cav – Enrolled as Washington Crawford Co. & right above, no other man in that Co. to whom report could refer Jan 10 / 85 WHC. Pen case Afft 413191 ECC 2-19-87 Ret'd Mar 4/87 Pen Case No 316461 ret'd January 16/85 Pen case 170.744 to [Gramlick] Jan 9/86



A 'Declaration for Invalid Army Pension' dated 12 April 1869 provides a time line.

Declaration for Invalid Army Pension

State of Indiana

County of Warren

On this 12 day of April, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine, personally appeared before me, William C. Smith, Clerk of the Circuit Court and within and for the County and Sate aforesaid, Washington M. Crawford aged 32 years, a resident of Washington Tp, in the County to law, declares he is the identical Washington M Crawford, who enlisted in the service of the United States at Chambersburgh, County of Fountain, Sate of Indiana on the third day of August, in the year of 1861, as a Private in Company "H" commanded by Captain Samuel Mc[Owen] in the 2 Regiment of New York Cavalry Vols, in the War of 1861, and was honorably discharged ont he eighth day of April, in the year 1865 that while in the service aforesaid, and in the line of his duty, at a place called Andersonville Prison Ga, in the State of Georgia on the ____ day of fall, 1863, to wit

He was captured a prisoner on the 22 day of Sept 1863, near Liberty Mills, Va, and was taken by Reble Authorities to Libby Prison, thence to Belle Island Prison. thence to Andersonville Geo thence Charleston S. C. thence Florence S.C. thence to Charleston and released there on the 10 day of Dec 1864. That while in prison at Andersonville he induced the disease Bronchittis from which he is still suffering and asks of the Government a pension.

Since leaving the service he has resided Washington Tp. in the County of Warren, in the state of Indiana and his occupation has been farmer

when enrolled he was a farmer. And for the purpose of prosecuting his claim, he hereby

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Facebook Find

Saturday, January 09, 2021

I'll admit, I'm a Facebook fan – and at times I can be a Facebook addict. For me, Facebook is not only a means to stay connected with family and friends, but also a source of information, particularly when it comes to genealogy related topics.

In early December, a reconnection with an acquaintance from my youth resulted in a wonderful find about my grandfather, E. O. Briles of Emporia. My Facebook friend shared a picture of Commercial Street in downtown Emporia.



The original poster was wondering whether anyone could date the picture based on the cars parked along the street. This picture caught my attention because of the 'Lyric' sign on the left side of the street. My grandfather, E. O. Briles, ran the Lyric Theatre in downtown Emporia. My brother also noted the Lyric marquee and posted a link to a source I hadn't seen before. The website, Cinema Treasures, has an article about the Lyric Theatre and my grandfathers efforts to open the movie theater on Sundays.

Lyric Theatre
407 Commercial Street, Emporia, KS 66801
Closed 1 screen 375 seats

Overview | Photos | Comments

The Lyric Theatre was opened in 1932 by E.O. Briles. It was the first theatre in Emporia to show movies on Sundays. From May to October 1933 Mr. Briles was arrested 12 times for violating the labor clause of the Sunday closing law. The Emporia Gazette referred to it as an endurance contest between Briles and the chief of police. The police and the city said if they stopped arresting him the case in the district court might be weakened. Finally in December he was fined \$60 and costs for what was called just a test of the law.

Mr. Briles also operated the Lyric Theatre in Cottonwood Falls and in 1936 he purchased the Lyric Theatre in Excelsior Springs, Missouri. In 1954 he leased the Strand Theatre in Emporia, which was closed by his widow in 1958.

In February 1944 Mr. Briles moved the Lyric Theatre to 505 Commercial Street and it was still advertising movies in the Gazette through August 1951. In February 1952 it was reported that that old Lyric Theatre was being remodeled into a store.

Film Daily Year Book 1951 lists the Lyric Theatre with 375 seats.

Contributed by Ron Pierce

Thank you Facebook for this wonderful find!

Beginnings

Sunday, January 10, 2021

In the beginning ...

In the beginning of my genealogy journey, I had

- weekend trips to spend with my grandmother, Winnie Crawford, in Dodge City
- my grandmother's curiosity about her own family history; a family history filled with lots of unknowns – questions needing answers
- my grandmother's collection of family photos and memorabilia from both her CURREY family and her husband's CRAWFORD family
- my mother-in-law teaching me how to create a pedigree chart and a family group sheet — and giving me some blank forms
- my grandmother Briles' collection of photos and family memorabilia for the BRILES and MENTZER sides of the family
- paper, envelope and stamps to write letters — and learning to enclose a SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope)
- my first genealogy how-to book: The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy by Val Greenwood, copyright 1973
- a great aunt, Gladys Crawford, who had compiled our Crawford genealogy
- copies of pages from family Bibles — Crawford, Currey, Mentzer
- a cousin, Max Briles, who had compiled a genealogy of the BRILES family
- a subscription to Genealogical Helper — and thus needing more envelopes and stamps
- likely my second genealogy book: The Handy Book for Genealogists — and a need for more stamps
- a librarian's knowledge of card catalogs, periodicals, microfilm and manuscripts
- access to Kansas census and newspapers at the research center for the Kansas State Historical Society – and more forms – forms to record census information this time
- Census indexes – big clunky books with small type — and 1920 Census Soundex – an index to the 1920 census records based on how names sounded.
- more trips to Dodge City — not only to see my grandmother, but for research at the Kansas Genealogical Society library – which also housed the Kansas DAR library, and research at the Kansas Heritage Center and at Boot Hill
- membership in the Kansas Genealogical Society (at Dodge City) and the Topeka Genealogical Society
- two bus trips to the LDS library at Salt Lake City with Ruth Keys Clark and genealogists from around Kansas and a family vacation with a couple of days at the library
- research trips to the public library at St. Joseph and the Northwest Missouri Genealogical Society library for access to records for the grandmother's Hutchinson and Harding lines
- day trips to Independence, Missouri to access U.S. census records at the genealogy library hosted by the Mid-Continent Public Library in Independence and Kansas City, Missouri (now the Midwest Genealogy Center)
- PERSI – index of all of those genealogical society publications
- access to microfilm of a large variety of records delivered by the mail man to my house courtesy of the American Genealogical Lending Library – need for a larger postage budget

- Father Wempe and his push to form a genealogy society in Nemaha county, Kansas
- participation in genealogy events at the state level as member of the board of the Kansas Council of Genealogical Societies
- our first computer and the genealogy program: Personal Ancestral File (PAF)
- compact discs (CDs) of records

And then came the Internet



- Genealogy.com and its access to census records and message boards
- Heritage Quest – searchable digital versions of county histories
- Email — and less need for those SASE
- Roots-L mailing Lists — can get help for just about anything genealogy related by joining a list and reading the emails
- RootsWeb — including the ability to create web sites – particularly for counties
- Yahoo GeoCities — site to create my own FREE web site – and Heartland Genealogy was born (Thanks to Google, I found my old URL – <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/3208/>. Thus, the wayback machine shows my site going back to 1999.)
- GenWeb
- Kansas GenWeb – and administering several counties
- GenWeb Archives / Kansas GenWeb Archives — indexes and sometimes actual records making it online
- Ancestry message boards
- Google
- Ancestry databases / growth of Ancestry
- Google books / Internet Archive ... growing collection of digitized histories
- Family Search — digitization of their microfilm collection
- WordPress, Blogger, Google Sites and other free ways to share genealogy information on the web
- Shutterfly and similar resources to share family photos and stories

And now we have DNA and all of the tools associated with it to help us identify ancestors.

Even though the tools have changed over the years, the foundations that my mother-in-law taught me over 40 years ago are still needed today. I don't know where my genealogy research will go in the future, but it has been a fantastic ride to get here.

Hiram M. Currey (1835-1901)

Monday, January 11, 2021

Hiram M. Currey was born on 13 Aug 1835 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States. 1– 8

Hiram Currey was listed on the 1850 census in the household of Jane Currey. According to the census, Hiram was a 15 year old farmer who was born in Indiana. [NOTE: Jane's will does not include a son named Hiram.]. 9

Hiram Curry was listed on the 1860 territorial census for Kansas as a head of household. According to the census, Hiram was a 24 year old farmer born in Illinois. Also listed in the household were Angelina and Sarah.. 10– 11

He purchased land that was received by patent by James Dillard for military warrant for service in war of 1812 containing 160 acres on 15 Sep 1860 in Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 12– 13

He was mustered in to Company B of the 12th Cavalry Regiment of the Kansas State Militia under Captain Samuel Hollister on 8 Oct 1864 in Atchison, Atchison, Kansas, United States. 14– 15

Hiram was discharged on 27 Oct 1864. 14– 15

He registered for the military draft in Feb 1865 in Atchison, Kansas. 16

Hiram Currey was listed on the 1865 Kansas census as a 29 year old male farmer born in Kentucky. Also living in the household was Mrs. Curry, a 28 year old female born in Illinois, Evaline Curry, a 6 year old female born in Kansas, John H Curry, a 4 year old male born in Kansas and Mary, a 1 year old female born in Kansas.. 8

Hiram M Curry was listed on the 1870 census as the head of household. According to the census, Hiram was 32 years old and born in Illinois. Also listed in the household were Angeline, a 31 year old female born in Kentucky; Eveline, an 11 year old female born in Kansas; John, an 8 year old male born in Kansas; Mary, a 6 year old female born in Kansas; Hiram, a 3 year old male born in Kansas; and Quincy, an 1 year old male born in Kansas.. 17

He received patent from United States for NW 1/4 S26T7R21 on 3 Nov 1871 in Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 18

H M Curry was listed on the 1875 Kansas census as the head of household. According to the census, H. M. Curry was a 40 year old farmer born in Illinois. Also listed in the household was A J Curry, Evey Curry, J. H. Curry, M C Curry, H M Curry, N Q Curry, J G Curry and Lizzie Curry. 3

Hiram M Currey was listed on the 1880 census as the head of household. According to the census, Hiram was a 44 year old farmer born in Illinois. Also listed in the household was Angelina, a 43 year old female born in Kentucky. Hiram and Angelina are listed at the bottom of page 18 in ED 147. Listed at the top of page 19 are the following Curreys: John H Currey, a 19 year old male farmer born in Kansas; Eveline, a 21 year old female born in Kansas; Mary C, a 16 year old female born in Kansas; Hiram, a 13 year old male

born in Kansas; Wm Q , a 9 year old male born in Kansas; Jane, a 7 year old female born in Kansas; Lizzie, a 5 year old female born in Kansas; and Dora, a 3 year old female born in Kansas. 19

H. M. Curry was listed on the 1885 Kansas census as the head of household. According to the census, H. M. Curry was a 50 year old farmer born in Illinois. Also listed in the household was Angeline Curry, age 47 and born in Missouri; John Curry; a single male farmer age 23, born in Kansas, William Currey, a single male age 17 born in Kansas; Hiram Curry, a single male age 15 born in Kansas; James Curry, a single male age 11 born in Kansas; Elizabeth Curry, a single female age 9 born in Kansas; Dora Curry, a single female age 7 born in Kansas; Marion Currey, a single male age 4 born in Kansas and Bessie Moses, a single female age 2 born in Kansas. H. M. Curry served in the Kansas militia in 1865. 6

H. M. Currey was listed as the head of household on the 1895 Kansas State census in Delaware Township, Leavenworth County, Kansas. According to the census. H. M. was 60 years old and born in Illinois. H.M. came to Kansas from Missouri. H.M. was a farmer. Also listed in the household were A.J. a 59 year old female born in Kentucky who came to Kansas from Missouri; Dora an 18 year old female born in Kansas; Marrian, Currey, a 14 year old male born in Kansas and Bessie Morris, a 12 year old female born in Kansas. 7

Hiram M Currey was listed on the 1900 census as the head of household. According to the census, Hiram was born Aug 1835 in Illinois. Also listed in his household was his wife, Angelina, born Oct 1836 in Kentucky; a son, Marion H, born Mar 1882 in Kansas; a daughter, Dora A, born May 1883 in Kansas; and a granddaughter, Bessie B Morris, born Apr 1883 in Kansas. 20

Hiram died on 2 Mar 1901 at the age of 65 in Lansing, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 2, 21– 26

He was buried after 2 Mar 1901 at Mt. Muncie Cemetery in Leavenworth, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 2, 21, 27– 30

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RootsMagic Clean-Up Pt 2

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

How old is your genealogy file? Have you been brave and started over from scratch? Or are you like me and have what in computer time would be considered an 'ancient' file.

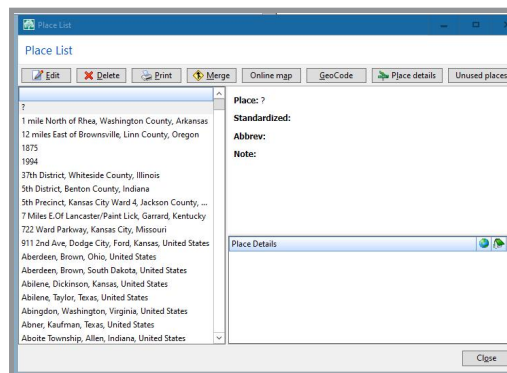
I'm not sure exactly how old my file would be. My first genealogy software was a copy of Personal Ancestral File (PAF) that I purchased on a trip to the LDS library at Salt Lake. As I was gathering lots of documents on several trips to Salt Lake, I also found myself needing to include facts other than birth, death, marriage and burial. Thus, I created 'Notes' to enter that information. As I collected more and more data, I found I needed software that would help me to tie these sources to the various events in a person's life. Thus, I switched to The Master Genealogist and imported my PAF file.

After this transition, I had tons of data clean-up to do. All of my 'custom' events in PAF came into TMG as 'NOTES'. Thus, I had to go thru my file, one person at a time and convert these 'NOTES'. When support for TMG ended, I again transitioned my file. This time I moved to RootsMagic. If I dig deep enough into my RootsMagic data, I can still find individuals with custom events titled, 'Notes'.

Thus, as I'm going thru the 'clean-up' of my RootsMagic data, I know that some of the clean-up issues I'm encountering go back to that original PAF file, while others go back to my TMG data. This was especially evident as I worked on my list of places.

Prior to my transition to RootsMagic, I had not standardized my entry of places. I knew enough to enter the various elements: town, county, state. However, I sometimes abbreviated words like Township and County while spelling them out at other times. The same was true for states, sometimes I abbreviated them while other times they were written out.

With RootsMagic, I started using the Gazetteer and standardizing how I entered places. Thus, my list of places had these newer standardized places mixed in with my older non-standardized entries for place information. Now that I've made it thru my place list merging the obvious duplicates, I still have some issues in my place list.

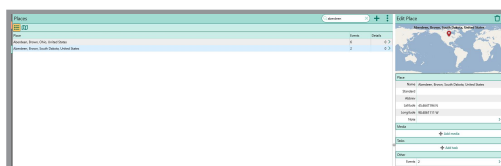


These issues include:

- dates entered in the place field

- place details as part of the place instead of being in the 'place detail' field. This is particularly true of burial places where the name of the cemetery is in the place field and not the place detail field.
- incomplete places such as Anderson, Indiana with no idea as to whether this is the county or the city
- places with the wrong state attached: Aberdeen, Brown, Ohio or is it Aberdeen, Brown, South Dakota or both? I wasn't always paying close enough attention when TMG's ability to automatically fill in the state with the last used information entered the incorrect state. I'm guessing that some of my place issues go back to those errors.

Cleaning up these issues will require the tools found in RootsMagic 8. In RM 8, I can see what events a place is tied to. Working with the example of Aberdeen, Brown County, I can search the place list for Aberdeen and pull up the two places in question.



IF I look to the right side of the screen, I can see how many events are tied to the highlighted place. To the right of the word Events is a >.

Clicking that green carot (>), a list of events tied to the place will open on the screen.

| Date | Event | Name |
|----------|--------|----------------------------|
| Abt 1900 | Birth | McClaran, Genevieve Marian |
| 1918 | Burial | Wilson, Lillian Elizabeth |

Clicking on the pencil, will open the person screen where I can look at the facts and

attached sources to see if I have an incorrectly entered place.

At this point, my place clean-up is done in RM7 and will wait for further clean-up until I transfer my data to RM8. This ability to go from a place to the events containing that place is a great new feature that will be found in RootsMagic 8.

Fake or Real?

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

Currently, we are surrounded by the word, fake: fake news, fake cures, fake this, fake that. When it comes to medical treatments, 'fake remedies' have been with us for a long time. With the current pandemic, I can certainly understand why. I want a medical remedy that will put this disease and all of its consequences in my rear view mirror.

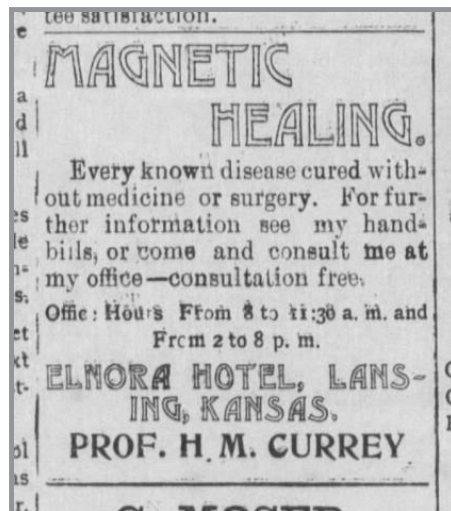
Thus, I can understand why my pioneer ancestors may have fallen victim to sellers of snake oil. Until today, I was not aware that the term 'snake oil' referred to an actual remedy that worked. The Asian Americans used oil from the water snake to treat inflammation. Unfortunately, others tried to profit off of the sale of this treatment, but they lacked access to the Chinese water snake. Instead they skimmed off the oil from boiling rattlesnakes, or substituted other types of oil and marketed it as a cure all. The Pharmaceutical Journal article, *The History of Snake Oil* has this to say about this oil and the selling of it.

The term “snake oil” is used to describe any worthless pseudo-medical remedy promoted as a cure for various illnesses. By extension, snake oil salesmen are charlatans who sell such fraudulent goods.

So, when I see the occupation, 'magnetic healer' listed as the occupation of my great-grandfather, Hiram Currey on the 1900 census, my first thought was of 'snake oil.'

[illegible]

I recently came across an ad in the newspaper that reminded me of this census entry.



from The Lansing News, 8 June 1900

Since my ancestor moved to western Kansas to farm in 1908 and later census records do not include 'magenetic healer' as an occupation, I'm assuming that his career as a

magnetic healer did not last long.

As I was thinking about his career, I remembered that we use magnets in the machines that are used in the diagnostic MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging). I also remembered that some people wear bracelets containing magnets. Curious as to whether these bracelets actually work, I found an article on WebMD that confirmed that Magnetic Field Therapy is a valid field of medicine.

Thus, it seems that my ancestor, Hiram Currey, wasn't a 'snake oil salesman,' but promoting a treatment that is in use today.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, January 14, 2021

I found these photos of my BRILES grandparents with my cousin, Edward Doolittle.



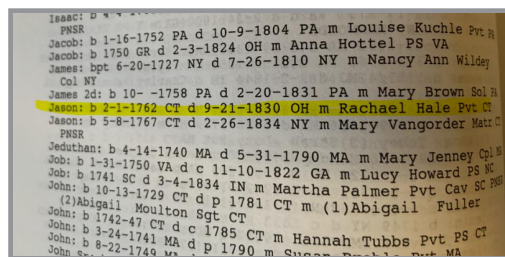
Family Legends

Friday, January 15, 2021

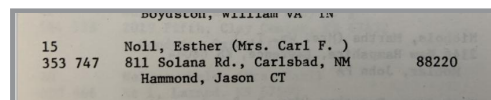
Do you have family stories that get told again and again. In my family, most of those stories were more recent and easily proven. A couple that come to mind were stories of the flooding when my parents were married and my brother's premature birth. These are the stories I grew up hearing.

As I've researched my family tree, I've come across stories related to the revolutionary war that I've yet to prove. The first was that Hiram M. Currey of Champaign County, Ohio served with George Washington at Valley Forge. The second is a story that a Crandall ancestor took part in the Boston Tea Party.

One revolutionary war story that I didn't think I'd have trouble proving was that my ancestor, Jason Hammond, fought in the revolutionary war. After all there is a listing for Jason Hammond with a wife named Rachel Hale in the 1994 edition of the DAR Patriot Index.



My great aunt, Esther Crawford Noll, was listed in the 1980 directory for the Kansas Society of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.



And, I have a partially filled out, hand written copy of an application to the DAR for my great-grandmother, Josie Hammond Crawford.

LINEAGE

I, Josephine Hammond, being of the age of eighteen years and upwards hereby apply for membership in the Society by right of lineal descent in the following line from Jason Hammond who was born in Bolton, Conn. on the 21 day of Sept. 1762 and died in Bolton, Conn. on the 10 day of Sept. 1826. His place of residence during the Revolution was Conn. I was born Sept. 1876 County of Rock State of Conn. on 9-1876

(Please give all dates by numerals, month first, and given names in full)

1. I am the daughter of Rosemond (Parker) Hammond born on 11-22-1782 at Rocky Hill, Conn. died at Rocky Hill, Conn. on 1-3-1827 married (1) on 1-1-1807 to Nathan & Mrs. Tolson born on 5-11-1799 at Rocky Hill, Conn. died at Rocky Hill, Conn. on 10-19-1872

2. The said Rosemond (Parker) Hammond was the child of Harriet Hammond born on 10-24-1775 at Rocky Hill, Conn. died at Rocky Hill, Conn. on 10-1-1827 married (1) only (1) to Louisa Tolson born on 5-16-1786 at Watertown, Mass. died at Rocky Hill, Conn. on 2-11-1874

3. The said Harriet Hammond was the child of Jason Hammond born on 2-1-1762 at Bolton, Conn. died at Bolton, Conn. on 10-10-1826 married (1) on 4-4-1785 to Rachel Hobb born on 12-11-1763 at Watertown, Mass. died at Bolton, Conn. on 1-16-1822

4. The said Jason Hammond was the child of Nathan Hammond born on 4-16-1763 at Watertown, Mass. died at Watertown, Mass. on 12-28-1817 married (1) on 1766 to Dorothy Jacobs born on 12-25-1725

5. The said Nathan Hammond was the child of

ANCESTOR'S SERVICES

My ancestor's services in assisting in the establishment of American Independence during the War of the Revolution were as follows:

Jason Hammond enlisted Aug 23 1779, Discharged Oct 26, 1779 (Records in War Dept in Washington) Born Men in the Rev.)

Nathanial

The said Jason Hammond is the ancestor who assisted in establishing American Independence, while acting in the capacity of Private in Capt. Harmon's Co. Col. J. Wells' Regt. in General Hubbard's

Give references by volume and page to the documentary or other authorities for—MILITARY RECORD: Where reference is made to unpublished or inaccessible records of service, the applicant must file the official copy.

Vol. 188 Born Men in the Rev
 Vol. 188 Hammond Genealogy
Sarah Louise Hammond Nat
Number 86266

The National Archives microfilm, 'Compiled Service Records of Soldiers Who Served in the American Army during the Revolutionary War', contains a record for a Jason Hammond serving under Col. Wells.

Wells' Regiment. Conn. Militia.

Jason Hammond

1st { Capt. Cone's Co., Col. J. Wells' Regiment of Militia, for their service at N. London, 1779. }
 (Revolutionary War.)

Appears on

Company Pay Roll

of the organization named above,

dated not dated, 17 79.

Time marched Aug 23, 17 79.

Time joined Aug 26, 17 79.

When discharged Oct 26, 17 79.

Days in service 67.

Wages per day 1.00.

Amount of wages 6.67.

Sub'se money per day 1.25.

No. of days drew sub'se 67.

No. of days drew no sub'se 3.

Amount of subsistence Aug 26.

Total amount 6.67.

Remarks :

However, my application to the DAR thru Jason Hammond was denied, not because I couldn't prove my relationship to Jason Hammond, but because I couldn't prove his service. The DAR has closed applications for Jason Hammond.

Ancestor Search

Search Results 2 Records Found (1 - 2 Displayed)

Click on the ancestor name or ancestor number to view an ancestor's full record.

HAMMOND, JASON Ancestor #: A05055

Notice: FUTURE APPLICANTS MUST PROVE CORRECT SERVICE (warn)

Birth: 2-1-1762 BOLTON HARTFORD CO CONNECTICUT
 Death: 9-21-1826 BATH TWP MEDINA CO OHIO

HAMMOND, JASON

Service: CONNECTICUT (Rank): MATROSS
 Birth: 5-8-1767 CANTERBURY CONNECTICUT
 Death: 2-26-1834 NORTH CHEMUNG NEW YORK
 Pension Number: *S
 Service Description: (1) CAPT BENJAMIN DUNREE, COL MCCLELLAN

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Future Applicants Must Prove Correct Service

The proof of service used to establish this person as a patriot is no longer valid. Subsequent evaluation of the proof of service may have determined that the proof is not acceptable under today's standards (examples: tombstone, obituary, undocumented genealogy or family history, family tradition). **THE SERVICE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE UNDER TODAY'S STANDARDS.** The residence of this person during the Revolution is inconsistent with the service, or multiple people have claimed the same service. Future applicants must provide proof of service (and possibly residence) that meets current standards.

Ancestor Comments:
 1) MUST PROVE RESIDENCE AND SERVICE DURING 8/1796

Since my application was accepted thru Jason's father, Nathaniel Hammond, the reason for denial was not that the proof was not up to current standards.

Thus, it appears that the 'same name' issue strikes again. Even though I don't have any other Jason Hammonds in my file of an appropriate age to have served, it is possible and even likely that there were other Jason Hammonds living in Connecticut at the time of the revolutionary war.

For now, this story of a revolutionary ancestor has been placed on the shelf as 'legend'. At some point, I may try to prove otherwise, but for now, it is just a legend.

Ancestry Hints

Saturday, January 16, 2021

Randy Seaver recently wrote about his procedure for handling Ancestry hints. As I read his blog, I thought that I also need to write out my procedure – for myself. I'm participating in the preview of RootsMagic 8 and realize that figuring out my procedure in RootsMagic 8 if I can document my RootsMagic 7 procedure.

I would suggest that other RootsMagic users think about and possibly document how Ancestry Hints are handled. This documentation might include:

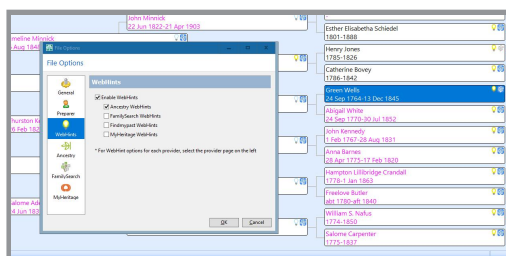
- Deciding whether to accept or ignore Hints in one's Ancestry Tree
- Deciding whether TreeShare is one way or two way and if one way, which way (up to Ancestry or down from Ancestry)
- Deciding where media files are saved
- Deciding how media files are named

My TreeShare Goals

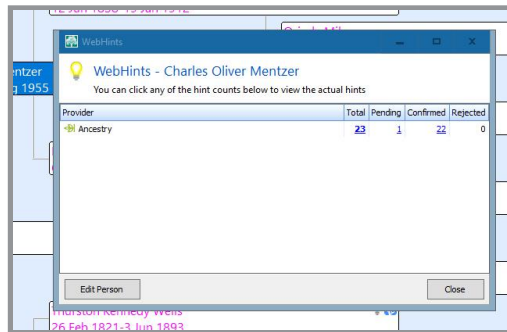
- RootsMagic is where I store my genealogy data
- I have one file for all of my data — including floating trees of families that I've researched
- I add source information for facts as I find the information. Thus, some of my sourcing is old and not up to today's standards.
- I want control of the naming of the image files that I add to the RootsMagic gallery.
- I want control of where the media files are stored.
- I want to share my research with others. Thus, I have a public tree on Ancestry.
- I want my Ancestry tree to be sourced. I want others to see where the information in my tree came from.

Thus, my TreeShare is one way: from RootsMagic up to Ancestry.

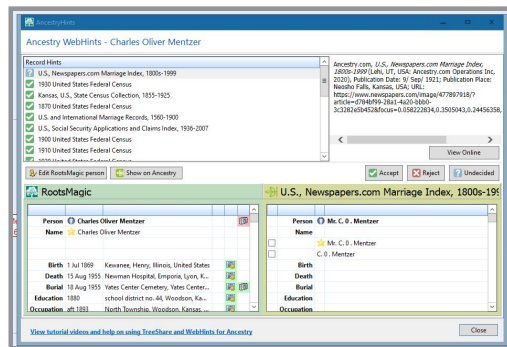
When TreeShare was first released as a RootsMagic feature, I used TreeShare to create a new tree on Ancestry. This created a connection between my RootsMagic database and my Ancestry tree. I leave the Ancestry WebHints enabled. This places a light bulb icon by each person that turns yellow when there are Ancestry hints available.



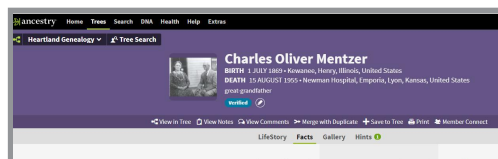
Thus, my process of working with Ancestry hints begins with these yellow light bulbs. When I click on a light bulb, a window opens telling me how many hints that person has and whether any of them are 'pending.' The 'pending' hints are hints on Ancestry that I have not done anything with.



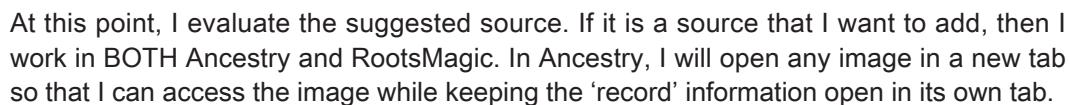
I can click on any of the underlined numbers to open up the 'Ancestry WebHints' window for that ancestor. The top portion of this window shows the hints. The 'pending' hints will be listed at the top with a blue question mark icon to the left. Accepted hints will have a green check mark icon to the left. The bottom half of the window shows my RootsMagic data on the left and data suggested by the hint on the right. In between the top and bottom portions of the window are various buttons.



This is where my desire for control takes over. I do not use the 'Accept', 'Reject' or 'Undecided' buttons on the right side of the screen. Instead I click on the 'Show on Ancestry' button. That opens up a tab on my browser for that ancestor.



I then click on the Hints to open that screen.

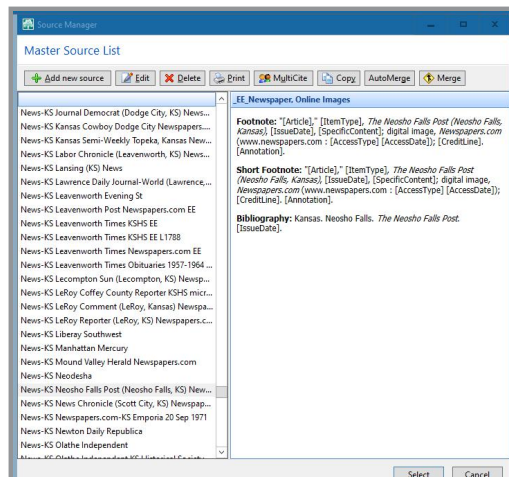
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It looks like I have a newspaper clipping citation that might be to the same newspaper article but not a citation for the newspaper, I need to add this as an additional source.

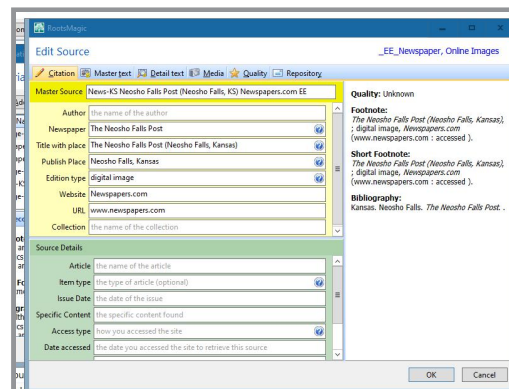
Hoping that I already have a source for this newspaper, I would click on 'CITE EXISTING SOURCE'

Then, I would type N to go to the 'Ns' in my list of sources and scroll to the 'News-KS' section looking for a News-KS Neosho Falls Post' source. My newspaper sources are

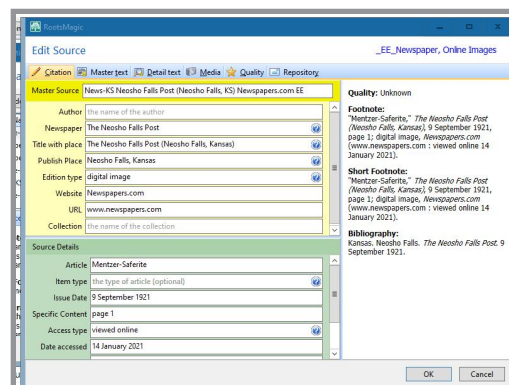
named using the following pattern: News-ST newspaper title (location), where ST is the abbreviation for the state.



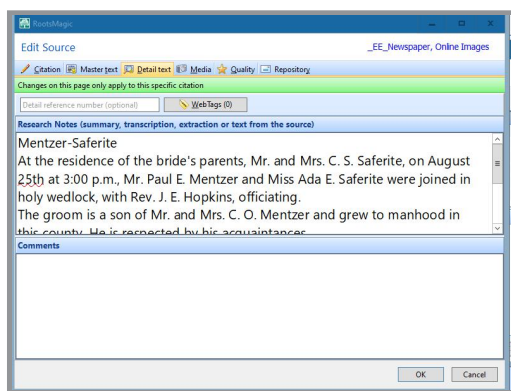
Since the source already exists, I select that source: News-KS Neosho Falls Post (Neosho Falls, KS) Newspapers.com EE.



Then I fill in the Source Details information.

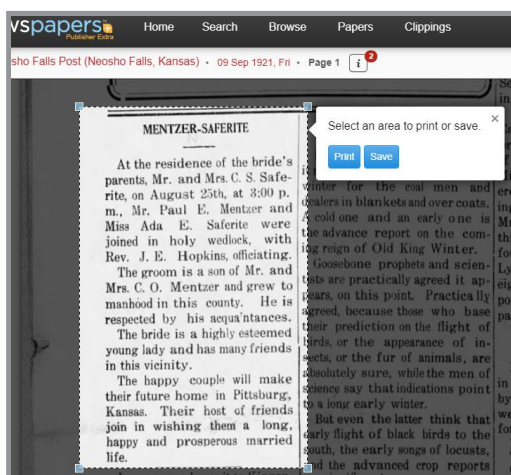


Next, I click on the 'Detail Text' tab across the top. In the 'Research Notes' section of that tab, I transcribe the record or copy the suggested record information from Ancestry.

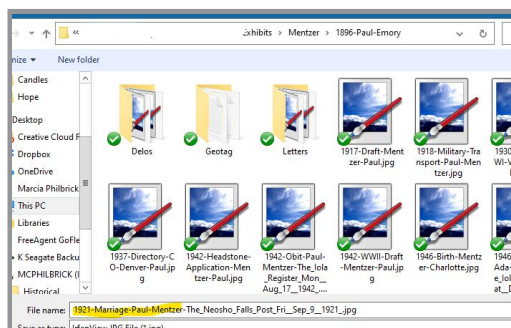


Next, I click on the MEDIA tab so that I can add an image to this source.

To get the image, I go back to the image on my browser. In this case that would be the newspaper article on Newspapers.com. On Newspapers.com, I click on the Print/Save button and then click on 'Select Portion of Page'. This allows me to draw a box around the article. I then click 'SAVE'

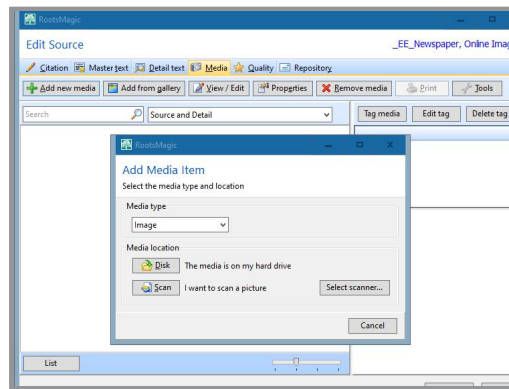


When I click on SAVE, I navigate to the folder where I want to save the image and make sure to name the file according to my established standard (yyyy-event-name-details).

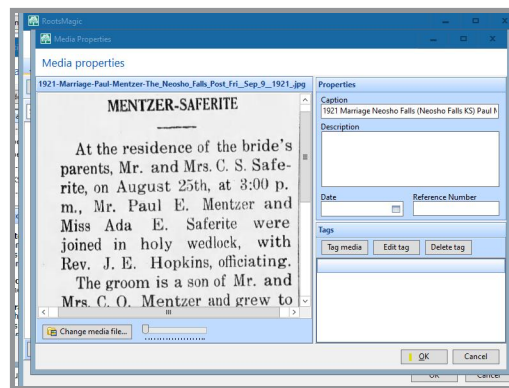


Once I have the image saved, I then go to the MEDIA tab in RootsMagic and click on the 'Add New Media' Button. From that window, I click on the DISK icon and migrate to that

same folder and file.

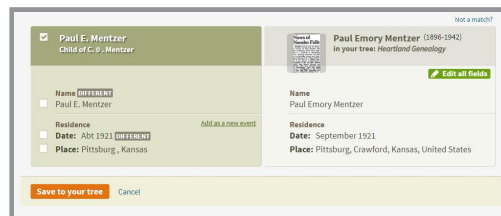


As I add the image, I create a caption similar to the file name.

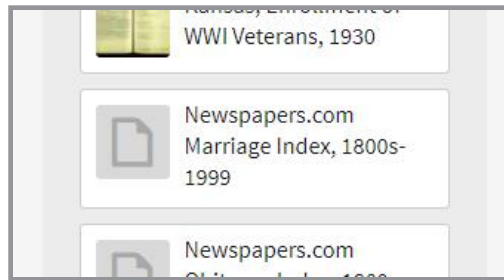


With the Media added, I click 'OK' to finish adding the source to RootsMagic. When a source applies to multiple events or people, I will copy the source and then migrate to the other event/person and paste the source.

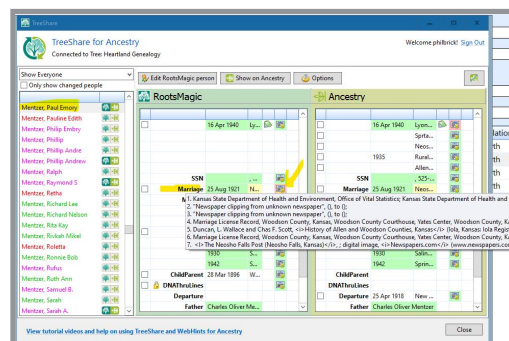
I then go back to Ancestry and click YES to accept the hint and then click Save to Your Tree



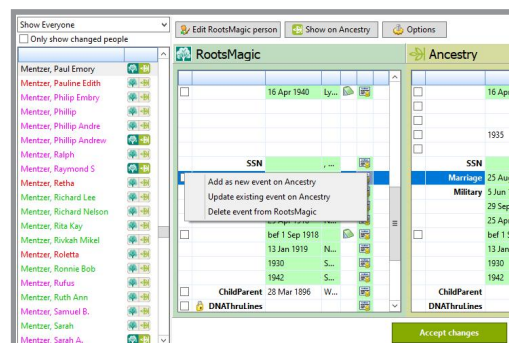
That will add the source to the list of sources and link it to the event on my Ancestry tree.



To finish the process, I can do TreeShare to upload my version of this source. When I go to TreeShare for this individual, Paul Mentzer, and look at the marriage fact, I can see that the sources are PINK in RootsMagic and Green in Ancestry. That difference in color indicates that RootsMagic has information that is different from Ancestry.



Clicking the box next to Marriage allows me to select, 'Update existing event on Ancestry'



That will prompt me to put a click next to SOURCES, the one thing that is different for the Marriage record. When I click Accept Changes, RootsMagic will then upload that information to Ancestry for this one individual. (TreeShare is one person at a time.)

Hopefully, writing this will help me transition into RootsMagic 8.

Nelson Crawford Descendants

Saturday, January 16, 2021

When it comes to trying to connect with DNA matches, I have found that it is easier to connect with those matches when I know more about the descendants of my ancestors. Thus, one of my goals for this year is to review the descendants of my 3rd great grandparents to bring them down to at least 1940.

The following report of descendants is using the Henry numbering system.

1. **Nelson G. Crawford**

b: 17 Oct 1808, Preble, Ohio, United States
d: 21 Mar 1864, Warren, Indiana, United States
+ **Martha Smith**
b: 3 Aug 1815, Indiana, United States
m: 3 Sep 1833, Warren, Indiana, United States
d: 1 Aug 1871, Warren, Indiana, United States

..... 11. **James H. Crawford**

b: 19 Jun 1834, Warren, Indiana, United States
d: 8 Jul 1908, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
..... + **Esther L. _____**
b: abt 1848
m: 9 Nov 1898, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... + **Eliza Jane Swisher**

b: 14 Jul 1835, Warren, Indiana, United States
m: 10 Apr 1856, Indiana, United States
d: 8 Jul 1892, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... 111. **Mary M. Crawford**

b: Feb 1852, Indiana, United States
d: 20 Mar 1852, Warren, Indiana, United States

..... 112. **William N. Crawford**

b: 27 Mar 1856, Indiana, United States
d: 21 Mar 1928, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States

..... + **Katie Kreigh**

b: 7 Nov 1870
m: 2 Sep 1890, Johnson, Kansas, United States
d: 7 May 1968, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States

..... 1121. **Percy Ernest Crawford**

b: 26 Aug 1893, Fairbanks, Cochise County, Arizona
d: 5 Mar 1978, Riverside, Riverside, California, United States

..... 1122. **Lillian H. Crawford**

b: Jul 1896, Arizona, United States

..... 1123. **Agnes Crawford**

b: Sep 1898, Arizona, United States
d: 31 Jul 1934, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States

..... 113. **John Edgar Crawford**

b: 18 Feb 1859, Indiana, United States
d: 16 Sep 1941, Orange, California, United States

..... + **Eva C Bowlus**

b: Mar 1862, Warren, Indiana, United States
m: 27 Dec 1921, Ogden, Weber, Utah, United States

d: 26 Apr 1935, California, United States
 114. **Charles Henry Crawford**
 b: 26 Feb 1861, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 22 Oct 1861, Warren, Indiana, United States
 115. **Abraham Lincoln Crawford**
 b: Sep 1863, Indiana, United States
 d: 18 Dec 1919, Montrose, Montrose, Colorado, United States
 + **Hattie**
 b: abt 1868, Illinois, United States
 m: abt 1903
 d: abt 18 Nov 1939, Colorado Springs, El Paso, Colorado, United States
 116. **Ada Jane "Jennie" Crawford**
 b: 7 Nov 1868, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 5 Feb 1930, Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States
 + **Robert H. Hazleton**
 b: Apr 1863, Ireland
 m: 11 Sep 1894, Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States
 d: 4 Nov 1932, Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States
 1161. **Harold Robert Hazleton**
 b: 27 Sep 1895, Basalt, Eagle, Colorado, United States
 d: 27 Aug 1944, Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States
 1162. **Irma Hazleton**
 b: 13 Jul 1897, Basalt, Eagle, Colorado, United States
 d: 4 Jan 1975, Rocky Ford, Otero, Colorado, United States
 1163. **Edith Lucile Hazleton**
 b: 30 Jun 1900, Basalt, Eagle, Colorado, United States
 d: 25 Apr 1979, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States
 117. **Henry Clay Crawford**
 b: 2 Feb 1862, Indiana, United States
 d: 20 Nov 1944, Orange, California, United States
 + **Margaret Effie Sizelove**
 b: 26 Aug 1874, Sedgwick, Kansas, United States
 m: 10 Apr 1895, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 18 Sep 1939, Los Angeles, California, United States
 1171. **Nelson Gordon Crawford**
 b: Mar 1896, Kansas, United States
 d: 12 Nov 1908, Glenwood Springs, Garfield, Colorado, United States
 1172. **Guy Leon Crawford**
 b: 7 Jul 1897, Kansas, United States
 d: 18 Mar 1927, Los Angeles, California, United States
 1173. **Margaret Jane Crawford**
 b: 23 Sep 1901, Basalt, Eagle, Colorado, United States
 d: 23 Sep 1973, Los Angeles, California, United States
 118. **Clara V. Crawford**
 b: abt 1874, Indiana, United States
 d: 2 Nov 1917, New Castle, Garfield, Colorado, United States
 + **Jessie George Schmuesser**
 b: 28 Jul 1876, Ohio, United States
 m: 16 Aug 1902, Colorado Springs, Garfield, Colorado, United States
 d: 1957
 12. **William C. Crawford**

b: 28 Nov 1835, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 6 Nov 1860, Warren, Indiana, United States
 + **Mary E. Bell**
 b: 8 Oct 1835
 m: 26 Dec 1858, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 3 Jun 1880, Warren, Indiana, United States
 121. **William Clay Crawford**
 b: 30 Jan 1861, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: bef 16 Apr 1929, Leadville, Lake, Colorado, United States
 + **Anna Elizabeth Paul**
 b: Jun 1865, Illinois, United States
 m: 4 May 1886, Brashear, Adair, Missouri, United States
 d: 1935
 1211. **Clarence Clay Crawford**
 b: 1 May 1887, Brashear, Adair, Missouri, United States
 d: 26 Aug 1937
 1212. **Paul William Crawford**
 b: 25 Oct 1889, Missouri, United States
 d: 17 Jan 1959, Saratoga, Santa Clara, California, United States

 13. **Mary Elizabeth Crawford**
 b: 21 Apr 1838, Washington Township, Van Buren, Iowa, United States
 d: 27 Feb 1916, Warren, Indiana, United States
 + **Elisha Vance Briggs**
 b: 30 Nov 1835, Ohio, Kentucky, United States
 m: 7 Feb 1858, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 29 Dec 1922, Danville, Vermilion, Illinois, United States
 131. **Ella Briggs**
 b: 21 Nov 1858, Indiana, United States
 d: 9 Mar 1861, Warren, Indiana, United States
 132. **Colvin Garrett Briggs**
 b: 30 May 1860, Indiana, United States
 d: 23 Mar 1925, Williamsport, Warren, Indiana, United States
 + **Fannie Biser**
 b: 6 Feb 1862
 m: 18 May 1882, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 30 Oct 1951, Williamsport, Warren, Indiana, United States
 1321. **Madge Briggs**
 b: 9 Oct 1883, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: May 1967, Pleasant Valley, Warren County, Indiana
 1322. **Maude Briggs**
 b: 15 Oct 1887, Kansas, United States
 d: 21 Sep 1962, Logansport, Cass, Indiana, United States
 133. **Marion Briggs**
 b: abt 1862, Indiana, United States
 d: bef 1925
 134. **Lauretta Bertha Briggs**
 b: 24 Mar 1866, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 28 Aug 1946, Detroit, Wayne, Michigan, United States
 135. **Martha J. Briggs**
 b: 7 Feb 1868, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 27 Aug 1961, Attica, Fountain, Indiana, United States

..... + **Eustace Crudge**
 m: 24 Nov 1895, Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States
 d: 1951

..... 1351. **Arnet Vance Crudge**
 b: 30 Jun 1897, Williamsport, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 13 Sep 1961, Rockville, Parke, Indiana, United States

..... 1352. **Arthur B. Crudge**
 b: 3 Mar 1899, Indiana, United States
 d: 21 Oct 1977, Great Falls, Cascade, Montana, United States

..... 136. **Lura K. Briggs**
 b: 13 Nov 1874, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 24 Nov 1905

..... + **William C. Odle**
 m: 19 Oct 1905, Warren, Indiana, United States

..... 14. **Washington Marion Crawford**
 b: 21 Apr 1838, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 23 Aug 1889, Fort Dodge, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... + **Mary Foster**
 b: 28 Aug 1842, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 m: 4 Mar 1860, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 21 Jan 1929, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... 141. **Ida Kate Crawford**
 b: 18 Dec 1862, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 7 Mar 1934, Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, United States

..... + **Alva Oris Sherman**
 b: Oct 1859, Illinois, United States
 m: 14 Nov 1886, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 8 Jan 1935, Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, United States

..... 1411. **Jessie Sherman**
 b: abt 1891
 d: abt 1894

..... 1412. **Arthur Judson Sherman**
 b: 6 Aug 1893, Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, United States
 d: 2 Aug 1940, Portland, Multnomah, Oregon, United States

..... 1413. **Grace B. Sherman**
 b: 6 Mar 1895, Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, United States
 d: 27 Jan 1989, Thurston, Washington, United States

..... 1414. **Frederick Marion Sherman**
 b: 26 Aug 1900, Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, United States
 d: 7 Apr 1965, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah, United States

..... 1415. **Jean Everett Sherman**
 b: 12 Jun 1902, Pierce, Washington, United States
 d: 18 Oct 1968, Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, United States

..... 142. **Judson Foster Crawford**
 b: 15 Apr 1866, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 19 Feb 1949, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... + **Josie Winifred Hammond**
 b: 9 Feb 1874, Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States
 m: 24 Dec 1890, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 27 Sep 1954, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... 1421. **Bernice Crawford**

b: 4 Mar 1892, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 2 Aug 1959, Kelseyville, Lake, California, United States
 1422. **Leon Russel Crawford**
 b: 6 Feb 1894, Newton, Harvey, Kansas, United States
 d: 3 Oct 1976, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1423. **Marion Richmond Crawford**
 b: 24 Oct 1895, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 29 Jun 1920, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1424. **Helen Marjorie Crawford**
 b: 30 Apr 1900, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 1 Nov 1971, El Paso, El Paso, Texas, United States
 1425. **Hugh Judson Crawford**
 b: 16 Sep 1902, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 7 Aug 1987, Casa Grande, Pinal, Arizona, United States
 1426. **Esther Stella Crawford**
 b: 6 Feb 1905, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 7 Jul 1987, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1427. **Lois Elida Crawford**
 b: 10 Nov 1909, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 18 Jan 1972, Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States
 143. **Carrie A Crawford**
 b: 10 Feb 1870, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 20 Jul 1886, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 144. **Lida A Crawford**
 b: 22 Dec 1871, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 13 Dec 1945, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 + **Alvin Hamilton Lighter**
 b: 15 May 1864, Mount Carroll, Carroll, Illinois, United States
 m: 11 Aug 1897, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: Jun 1942, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1441. **Ethel Anita Lighter**
 b: 1 Jul 1898, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 8 Nov 1980, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1442. **Oren Wesley Lighter**
 b: 24 Jan 1900, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 28 Feb 1900, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1443. **Kenneth Arden Lighter**
 b: 25 Jan 1901, Kansas, United States
 d: 18 Jan 1957, Hometown, Allen, Indiana, United States
 1444. **_____ Lighter**
 b: abt 1903, Kansas, United States
 d: 2 Jun 1903, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1445. **Anne Marie Lighter**
 b: 25 Jun 1904
 d: 6 Nov 1994, St. Louis (city), Missouri, United States
 1446. **Dorothy Alice Lighter**
 b: 27 Aug 1906, Kansas, United States
 d: 10 Jul 1975, Plant City, Hillsborough, Florida, United States
 1447. **Chester Ellis Lighter**
 b: 28 Jun 1908, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 30 Apr 1969, Roscoe, Winnebago, Illinois, United States
 1448. **Vera Elma Lighter**

b: 15 Jul 1911, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 16 Sep 1997, Livingston, Illinois, United States
 145. **Nelson Garfield Crawford**
 b: 29 Oct 1881, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 10 May 1957, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 + **Cora B. Adams**
 b: abt 1882, Salem, Indiana, United States
 m: 7 Jul 1907, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 6 Dec 1947, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 + **Grace Nicoll Stateler**
 m: 24 Dec 1950, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

 15. **Sarah Amanda Crawford**
 b: abt 1840, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 15 Jun 1876, Warren, Indiana, United States
 + **Harrison S. Woodward**
 b: abt 1841
 m: 25 Aug 1861, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 14 May 1863, Murfreesboro
 151. **Catherine Woodward**
 b: 22 May 1863, Washington Township, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 9 Jun 1899, Neoga, Cumberland, Illinois, United States
 + **John A. Baughman**
 m: 20 Sep 1887, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: aft 1899
 + **Harmon M. Billings**
 b: 29 Jan 1842, Warren, Indiana, United States
 m: 15 Sep 1875, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 26 Oct 1914, Van Buren Township, Fountain, Indiana

 16. ____ **Crawford**
 b: bef 1842, Indiana, United States
 d: 8 Apr 1842, Warren, Indiana, United States

 17. **Celia Carrie Crawford**
 b: 10 Dec 1851, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 30 May 1940, Newton, Newton, Indiana, United States
 + **Dr. Daniel DeVinney Rose**
 b: 28 May 1843, New York, New York, United States
 m: 15 Aug 1880, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 18 Jun 1929, Valparaiso, Porter, Indiana, United States
 171. **Elsie Rose**
 b: 14 May 1885, West Baden Springs, Orange, Indiana, United States
 d: 25 Mar 1984, Newton, Newton, Indiana, United States
 + **William Glen Smart**
 b: 1879, Crothersville, Jackson, Indiana, United States
 m: 11 Feb 1908, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 1965, Newton, Newton, Indiana, United States
 1711. **Marion Dean Smart**
 b: 11 Jun 1911, Jackson, Indiana, United States
 d: 7 Aug 1994, Rensselaer, Jasper, Indiana, United States
 1712. **John Smart**

b: 11 Sep 1909, Jackson, Indiana, United States
d: 11 Apr 2001, Massachusetts, United States

. 18. _____ **Crawford**

b: 5 Nov 1859, Indiana, United States
d: 22 Nov 1859, Warren, Indiana, United States

RM8 Source Procedure

Sunday, January 17, 2021

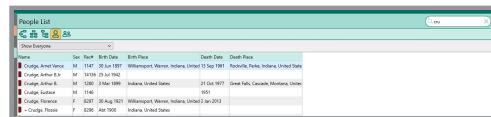
I recently wrote about my process to handle Ancestry Hints in RM 7. Since I am previewing RootsMagic 8, I thought it would help me to write out the process for adding sources from the RootsMagic side.

Since I recently found an obituary on Newspapers.com for a cousin, I thought that I'd try adding that obituary to my RM8 trial database. Since this database was recently created from my RM7 file, it should contain the my source for the Journal and Courier (Lafayette, IN) newspaper.

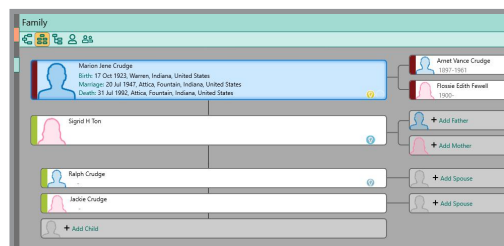
The obituary is for Mark A. Crudge.

Locate Mark Crudge in file by clicking on the person icon.

- I'm used to clicking on the list and starting to type the name to move to that section of the list. This method does not currently work.
- I could scroll thru my list, but it faster to enter the surname in the search box. As I type, the list narrows down to surnames beginning with the letters I've typed.

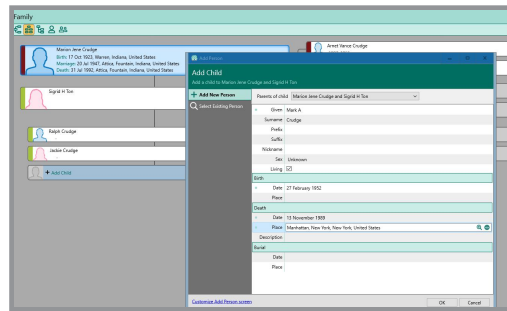


Since I don't find Mark Crudge in my list, he will need added. Thus, I click on his father, Marion Jene Crudge and switch to the family view.

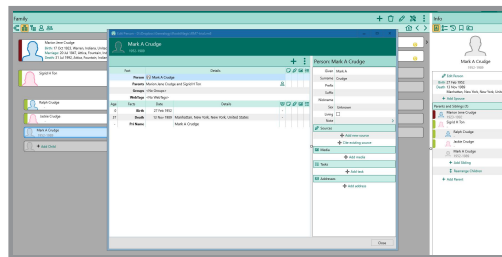


I then click on the "+ Add Child" link to open a window to add Mark Crudge as a child of Marion Jene Crudge.

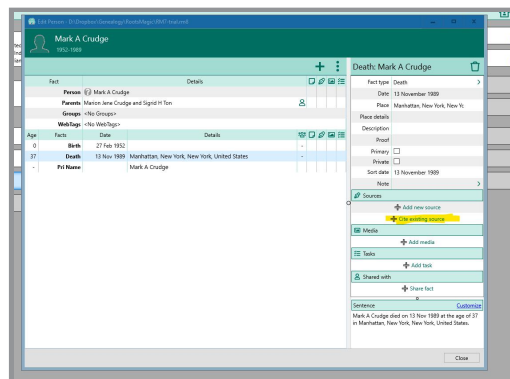
I use the information in the obituary to fill in the birth and death dates for Mark Crudge and then click OK to add him to the family.



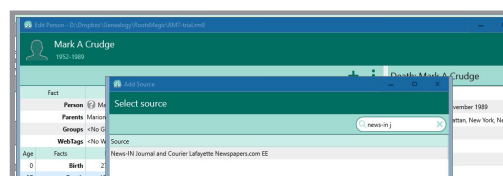
I now have Mark Crudge listed as a child of Marion Jene Crudge and a window open to add information about Mark. This is where I need to add the obituary as a source.



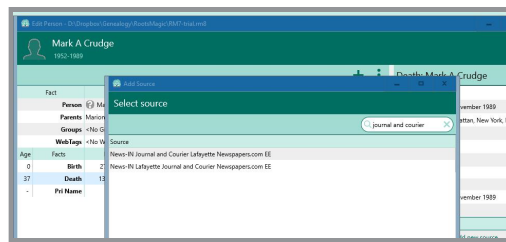
Since I can use the obituary as a source for Mark's death, I click on the death fact. On the right side of the window, there is a section for sources. Since I already have a lot of sources in my file, I would first check to see if the source exists. Thus, I would click on 'Cite Existing Source'.



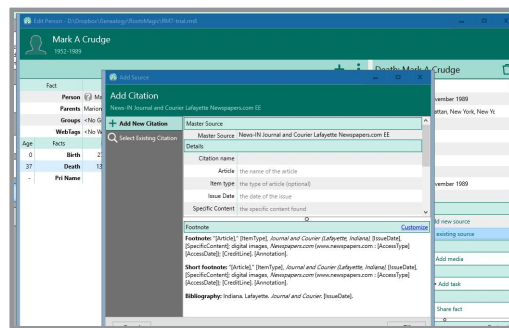
That opens up a window for me to select the source. In RM7, I would have clicked on the list and started typing 'News-IN J' since that is the pattern I used to name my newspaper sources. Since RM8 works differently, I need to use the search box. So, I start typing the same in the search box and my source is listed.



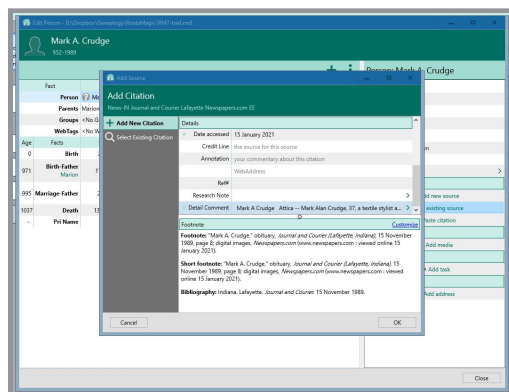
If unsure, I could use RM8's super ability to search and type in the name of the paper. (Journal and Courier, in this example) When I do this, I discover that I have two sources — likely the same that I will need to see if I can merge.



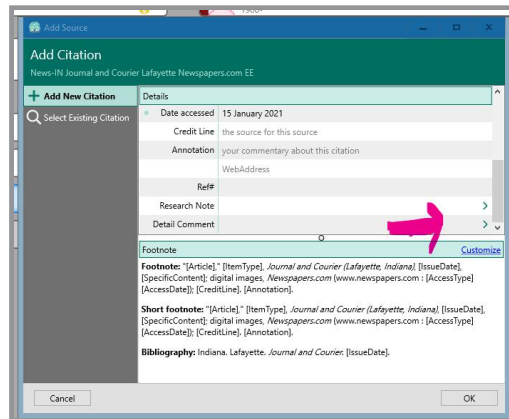
Since the first one uses my desired naming pattern, I click on it and then click the NEXT button. That opens the 'Add Citation' window.



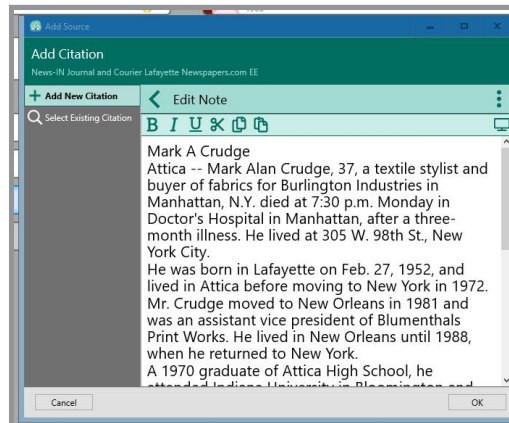
I enter the information from my source using the tab key to move to the next field — until the remaining fields are not visible on the screen. At that point, I must use the scroll function to get to the end of the screen.



Scrolling down on the citation, I can locate the green > link to add the detail.



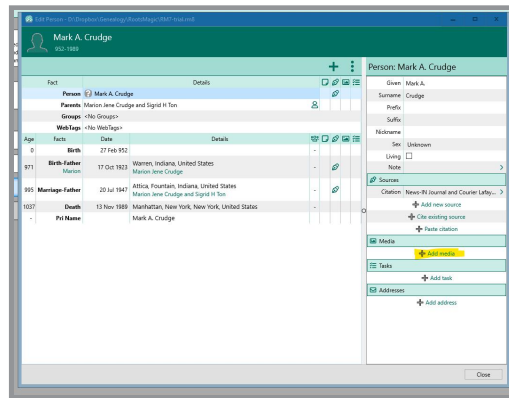
This is where I add notes for the citation. This could be as simple as copying the 'record' information from Ancestry to transcribing a record or obituary. In this case, I transcribed the obituary.



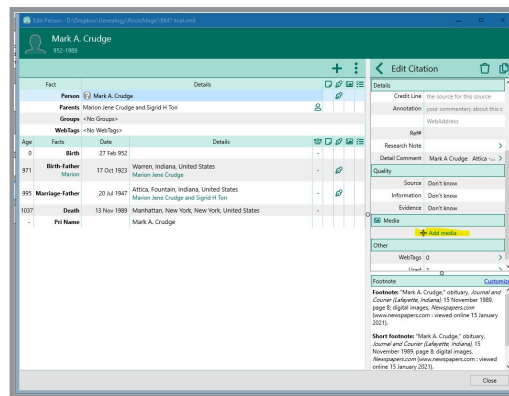
I can click the < arrow at the top of the window to return to the citation.

In RootsMagic 7, my next step would be to add the image to the citation. Unfortunately, I don't see a way to add an image to the actual citation from this screen. So, I click on OK to save the citation.

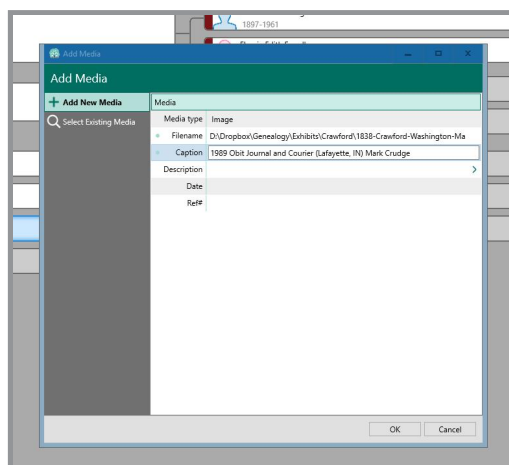
When I click the OK button to close the citation to get back to the edit person screen. This screen has the ability to add an image to the death fact.



However, I would rather have the image attached to the citation. And, I discovered how by chance. Once the citation is created, I can go back to the citation and now the ability to add the image is available.

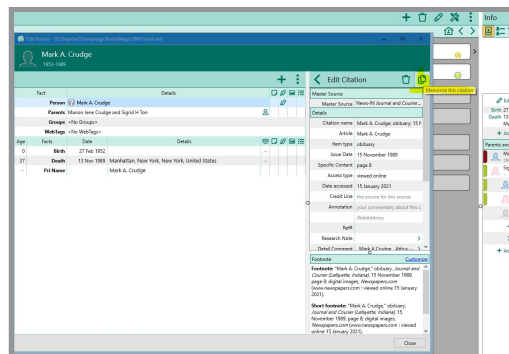


Clicking on the 'Add Media' link I can browse to my file and enter a caption.

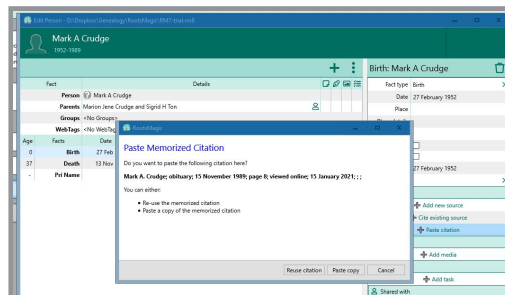


Now that I have the obituary citation attached to the death fact, I want to also attach it to his birth fact. Thus, I click on the birth. I now have 3 choices: Add new source, cite existing source and paste citation. Ideally, I would like to 'paste the citation.' This means that I need to go back and figure out how to 'memorize' the citation. Going back to the

death fact and the citation, there is no obvious 'memorize' link. However, scrolling over the various icons reveals the icon that looks like two pieces of paper are for memorizing the citation.



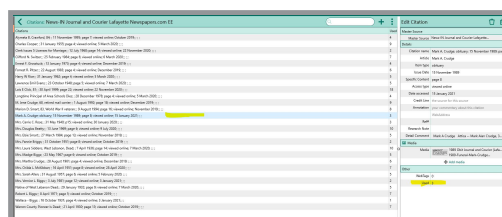
After clicking on the 'memorize citation' icon, I migrated back to the birth fact to paste the citation. Clicking to paste the citation opens a 'Paste Memorized Citation' window.



Unsure of what the difference is between 're-use' and 'paste', I posted a question to the Facebook group and thanks to the answer there, I think I have this figured out.

- Select 'Re-use the memorized citation' when you want an exact copy. This is what I would use for the obituary when adding the citation to the various events (think birth, death, burial, marriage, residence of survivors)
- Select 'Paste a copy of the memorized citation' when I want to make a small change in the citation. I can see this being helpful when citing various sections of a county history where I would change the page number with each individual citation.

Thus, I selected to 're-use' the citation. When I go to sources and locate the citation, I find that it has been used 3 times.

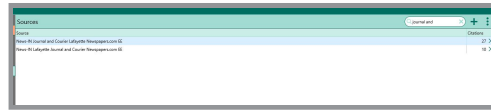


Clicking on the > to the right of 'Used 3', the right column changes to show the times the citation was used.

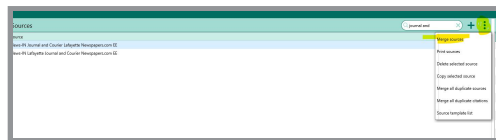
RootsMagic 8 – Duplicate Sources

Monday, January 18, 2021

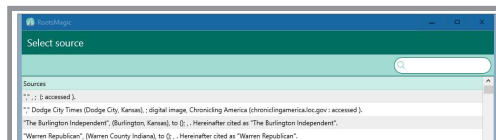
While working thru what my process will be to add a source to an event in the preview of RootsMagic 8, I discovered that I have the same source in my database twice. I made this discovery when I searched my list of sources for 'journal and'.



If I click on the three dots in the upper right of the Sources section of the screen, it reveals the option to “Merge Sources” [NOTE: Always look under those three dots when trying to figure out how to do something.]

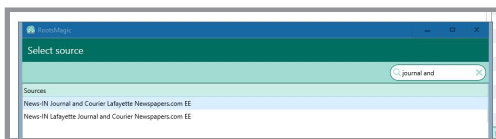


Before starting the merge, I need to make sure the source I want to keep is highlighted. When I click on 'Merge Sources' a window opens prompting me to 'Select Source'.

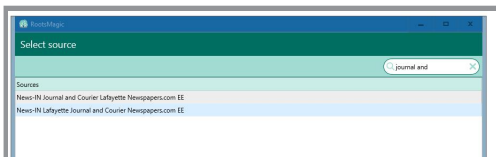


Again, I use the search box to look for 'journal and' to narrow the list. From trial and error, I learned that

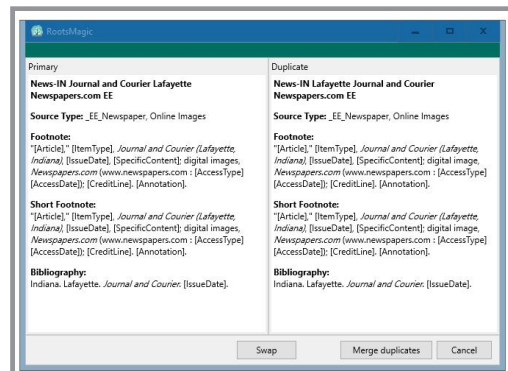
- the highlighted source in the Sources window is my first source
- the 'Select Source' window wants me to select the 2nd source



Since the source whose name begins with 'News-IN Journal' is the source I want to keep, I need to switch the highlighting to the source whose name begins with "News-IN Lafayette."



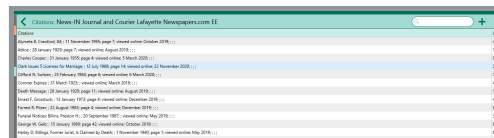
Once I have this second source highlighted, I can click on the OK button. This will open a screen comparing the two sources.



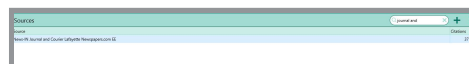
This screen is a 'fail safe' screen. The source on the left is the one that will be kept and the source on the right is the one that will disappear after a merge. By showing the two sources side by side, one can compare the information and then make a decision.

- Cancel when one decides the two sources are not the same
- Swap when one decides that they would prefer the source on the right be the one that is kept.
- Merge Duplicates when one decides the two sources do need to be merged with the source on the left surviving.

I clicked on the 'Merge Duplicates' button and my screen switched to the citations screen for the surviving source.



If I click the green < to the left of the word Citations, the screen switches to the sources screen showing the surviving source.



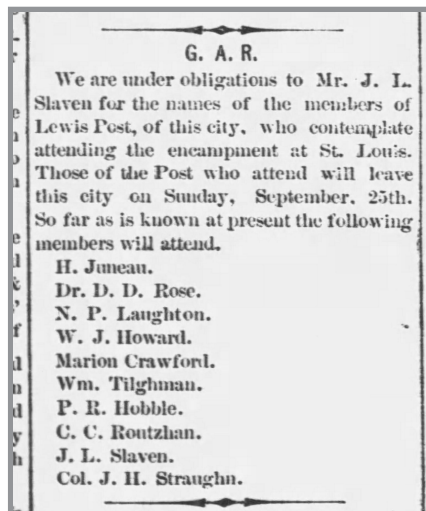
On this screen I can see that there is a total of 37 citations for this source which is the combination of the 27 citations from the source that was kept and the 10 citations from the source that was not kept.

I'm sure that these notes will come in handy when I start actively using RootsMagic 8 and find more duplicate sources.

GAR Encampment

Monday, January 18, 2021

While searching Newspapers.com for 'Marion Crawford,' I came across the following G.A.R. article.



G.A.R.

We are under obligations to Mr. J. L. Slaven for the names of the members of Lewis Post, of this city, who contemplate attending the encampment at St. Louis. Those of the Post who attend will leave this city on Sunday, September, 25th. So far as is known at present the following members will attend.

H. Juneau
Dr. D. D. Rose
N. P. Laughton
W. J. Howard
Marion Crawford
Wm. Tilghman
P. R. Hobbie
C. C. Routzhan
J. L. Slaven
Col. J. H. Straughn

The above list not only mentions Marion Crawford but his brother-in-law, Dr. Daniel Rose. Further information about Marion Crawford's attendance at the encampment have not been found. Many newspapers contain an extensive account of the encampment.



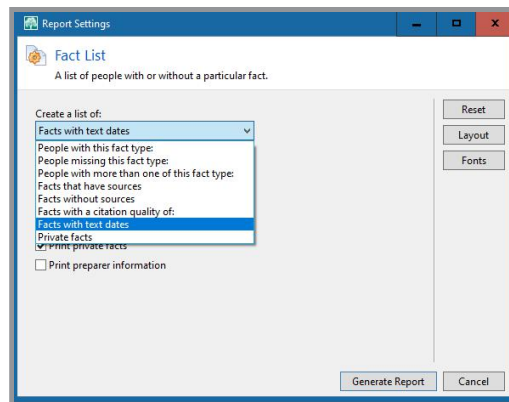
This YouTube video provides a brief history of the G.A.R. in St. Louis

RootsMagic Clean-Up Pt 3

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

As I'm working to clean-up my RootsMagic 7 file while previewing RootsMagic 8, I'm also discovering issues with the data in my file that I didn't even know were issues. These issues were pointed out in the YouTube video, [Cleaning Your Family Tree in RootsMagic](#).

About 13 minutes into the video, he discusses 'Facts with Text Dates'. I had no idea this could be an issue! I ran the Fact List Report selecting the option "Facts with Text Dates".



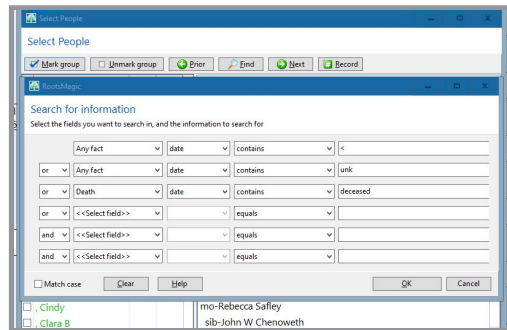
When I printed that report, I had FOUR pages of issues.

- typing errors
- dates enclosed in <> brackets, ex: <1877>
- the word 'deceased' (or variations) entered as a death date
- the word 'unknown' entered for the birth or death date
- places or names entered in the death field

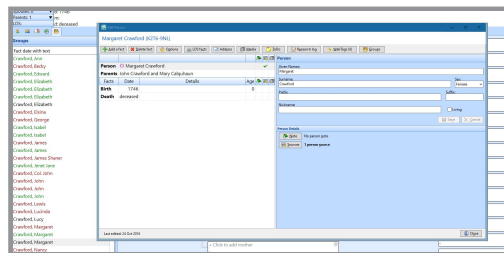
| Facts With Text Dates | | | | 7 January 2021 |
|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------|--|----------------|
| Name | Event | Date | Place | |
| Mary Ann | Death | 1822 child | | |
| Elizabeth | Death | deceased | | |
| Adams, Katherine "Katy" | Burial | Mar 1867 (NS) | New Liberty, Owen County, Kentucky, USA | |
| Ayers, Mary Jane | Birth | <1820> | Augusta, Virginia, United States | |
| Beine, Doris Margaret | Funeral | 8 Jan 2015 | Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States | |
| Bogart, George | Death | WFT Est. 1851-1942 | | |
| Browning, Margaret | Burial | Big Run cemetery | DeKalb, Indiana, United States | |
| Burke, Mattie | Birth | abt 1863 | Tennessee, United States | |
| Burton, Juanita M | Death | 178 Nov 1960 | Kansas City | |
| Byrd, Anna | Death | deceased | | |
| Calquhoun, Mary | Death | deceased | | |
| Campbell, Elizabeth "Betty" | Birth | <1783> | Harrison, Kentucky, United States | |
| Campbell, James | Birth | <1789> | Harrison, Kentucky, United States | |
| Campbell, Sarah | Birth | <1787> | Harrison, Kentucky, United States | |
| Carey, Clifford Eugene | Birth | 07 November 1923 | | |

I'll own the typos and possibly the names/places entered in the date fields. However, I think most of these other issues were created when I imported individuals from FamilySearch. Now that I know this can be an issue, I also know to look for it when I do such an import.

To work my way thru these 4 pages of issues, I decided to see if I could create a 'marked group' for a majority of the people on this list. Since many of the dates on this list contain <>, deceased, or unknown, I decided to create a marked group based on people having a fact containing those items.



Now that I have this marked group, I can work my way thru the list to edit the events.



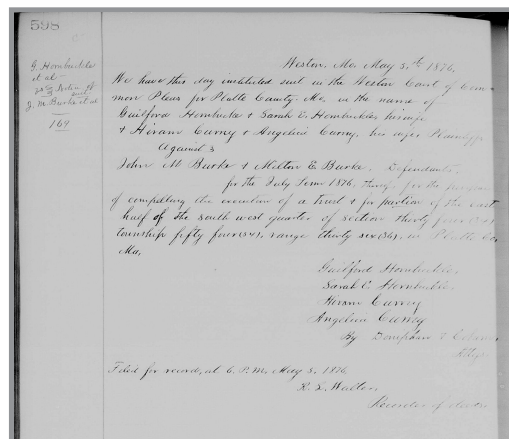
When I'm finished working my way thru this marked group, I can re-create the report to see what I have left and work my way thru them until all of these dates are corrected.

Establishing Death

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

As I'm working on a narrative report for Angelina Jane Burke Currey, one of my 2nd great grandmothers, I've discovered several data clean-up issues. I've already tackled the shared fact issue by converting the shared land and court facts to individual facts. Today, I was working on improving the citations for some of those land and court facts.

One of those facts is the court case that originated on 5 May 1876 in Platte County, Missouri. This case is recorded in the Register of Deeds office in Deed Record Vol. 6 on page 598.



Weston Mo. May 5th 1876

We have this day instituted suit in the Weston Court of Common Pleas for Platte County Mo in the name of Guilford Hornbuckle and Sarah E. Hornbuckle, his wife & Hiram Currey & Angelina Currey, his wife, plaintiffs against John M. Burke & Milton E. Burke, Defendants for the July term 1876, thereof, for the purpose of compelling the execution of a trust & fees partion of the east half of the south west quarter of section thirty four (34) township fifty four (54) range thirty six (36) in Platte Co., Mo.

Guilford Hornbuckle

Sarah E. Hornbuckle

Hiram Currey

Angelina Currey

By Doniphan & [Cohem] Attys

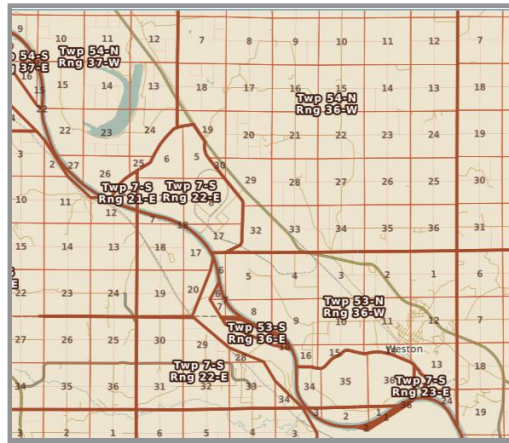
Filed for record, at 6 P.M. May 5, 1876

R L Wallen

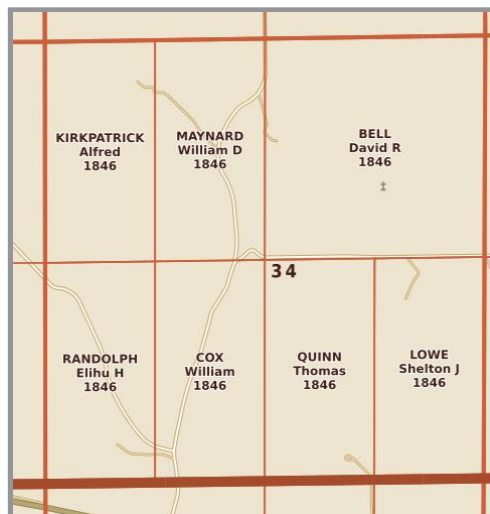
Recorder of deeds

Because the sisters, Angelina Currey and Sarah Hornbuckle, are suing their brothers, John Burke and Milton Burke, I've always assumed this suit was over their mother's property. Thus, I've also assumed that this was an indication that their mother, Elizabeth Burke, had died prior to May 1876.

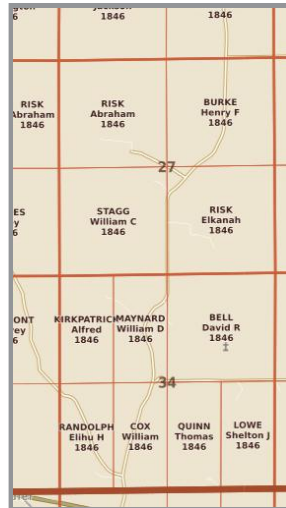
Curious as to where this portion of section 34, township 54 of range 36 was on a map, I used the First Land Owner's Project (\$) to locate the section on a map.



When I scrolled in to view section 34, I discovered that the first land owner of this section was Alfred Kirkpatrick. Alfred Kirkpatrick was the husband of Mahala Bland. Mahala was the sister to Elizabeth Bland Burke, mother of Angelina, Sarah, John and Milton. Thus, Alfred Kirkpatrick was their uncle.



If I scroll out just a bit, I find that Elizabeth's husband, Henry Burke, was a first land owner in section 27.



These maps along with the original deed record raise some questions:

- What happened to the land Henry Burke owned in section 27?
- Why are Henry and Elizabeth's children fighting over a portion of the land originally owned by Alfred Kirkpatrick?
- What is the 'trust' mentioned in the deed record?

Perhaps finding the answers to these questions will help fill in Elizabeth's life after 1860 and help establish a death date.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, January 21, 2021

Graduation Day for Barbara Ann Briles

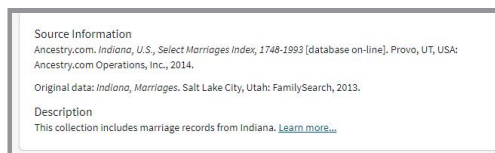
Sharing graduation day with her niece Kaye Briles

Source Templates

Friday, January 22, 2021

Do you remember writing that research paper when you had to create footnotes and a bibliography? Did all those commas and periods cause you headaches? Or are you young enough that you just used sites like Easy Bib to do it for you?

When it comes to creating those footnotes and that bibliography for our genealogy records, I think we are all looking for that 'easy' button. For some, that button might be using the ability to create 'free form' citations to copy/paste citation information from Ancestry. For example, the Ancestry source, Indiana, U.S. Select Marriages Index, 1748-1993, has source information that could be copied into genealogy software.



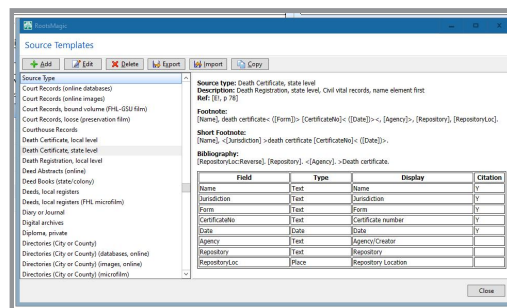
I have not adopted this method of citing the sources of the information in my file for several reasons:

- sometimes, I want more information than copying/pasting provides
- sometimes, the source does not provide the copy/paste option
- I don't want to have to create the footnote from scratch.

However, I do want an 'easy' way to do this. Thus, I use what might be called

Cheat Sheets

In RootsMagic, what I call 'cheat sheets' are source templates. These built-in source templates cover a wide variety of potential sources.



Each of these templates has their own set of fields that are put together to form the footnote and the bibliography. Thus, I don't have to remember the order for the fields in a footnote or the punctuation.

There are plenty of these source templates. Many of them are based on various standards for sourcing genealogical information. The 2013 "Sources" lesson by the Central Alberta RootsMagic Users explains the various references these templates are based on.

3. Click once on any of the source types on the left (e.g. click on Book Basic Format) - and on the right you see an overview of the elements in the citation and then under it some abbreviations that tell you source of the template including page number:

- 1. EE = Evidence Explained - the latest format
- 2. E1 = Evidence1 - earlier book
- 3. Q6 = QuickSheet - these are laminated sheets from Evidence Explained that are sold separately
- 4. CYS = Cite Your Sources - an old reference on citations

These built-in ‘cheat sheets’ work well unless or until one wants to modify a template. When that happens, one learns that these templates cannot be edited. Nor is it currently possible to switch an existing source to a different template.

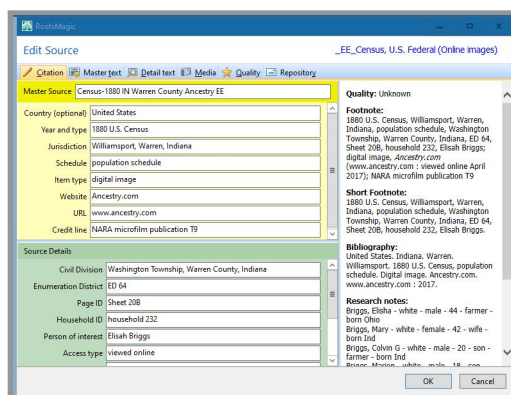
Once I discovered this inability to modify a template, I started creating my own templates – by copying an original template, naming my copy and making desired modifications. For example, I copied the ‘Census, U.S. Federal (Online Images)’ template.

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When I save the copy of the template, I use a naming standard for the templates. The templates that I've 'created' all have names that start with '_EE_' That places these templates at the top of my list of templates. Thus, my copy of the census template is named _EE_Census, U.S. Federal (Online images).

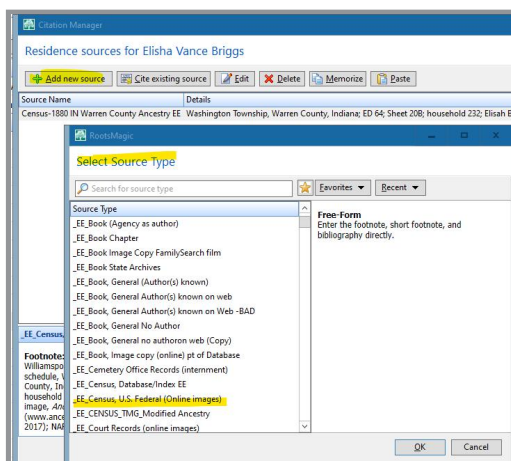
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Since I can edit these copies, I've added information about the image number and total number of images to the template. When working with these templates in RootsMagic 7, there are two sections: Master Source and Source Details.

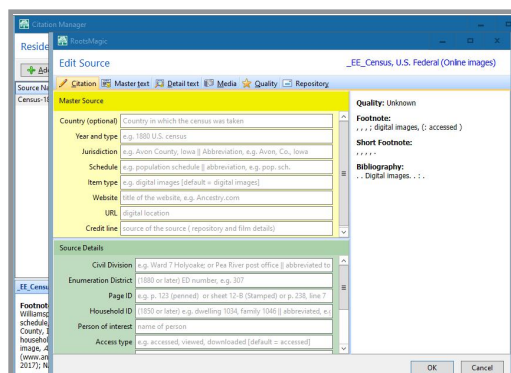


Thus the template provides prompts for the types of information I need to add for the source. If I have already created the source, the top portion of the window (yellow in my case) will already be completed, I just have to fill in the bottom portion (green).

When I am working with a source that isn't already in my RootsMagic 7 database, I click on the 'Add New Source' button. This opens a window to 'Select Source Type' which is a list of available source templates.



The type of source I'm working with will determine which template I select. Sticking with an online census records as the source, I would locate my template for online census records. This would open an 'Edit Source' window.

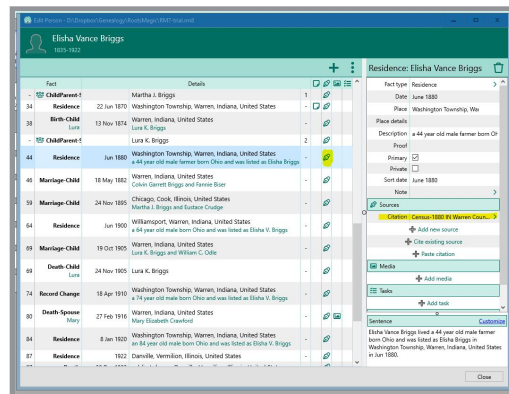


This window prompts me for the various fields needed to create the footnote and bibliography entry. In the light gray are hints for what might be entered in that box. In the example shown, both the Master Source and the Source Details portion of the screen is shown. Occasionally, when creating a new source, this window will only show the yellow, “Master Source,” portion of the screen until after the source is created. At that point, selecting the source will open the window to enter the ‘Source Details’ information.

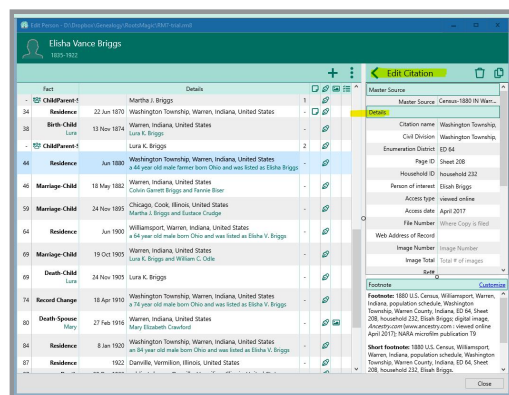
So, how does this work in RootsMagic 8?

After working with the RootsMagic 8 preview, I believe it works in a similar manner — with one exception. The term, CITATION, is being used instead of the ‘Source Details’ terminology.

If I look at the record for Elisha Vance Briggs, I can see that there is a pen icon to the right of his 1880 residence fact. Clicking on that fact places the information for that fact on the right side of the window. Under sources, it shows a citation for ‘Census-1880 IN Warren Coun...’.



Clicking on the green > to the right of the citation name will open the ‘Edit Citation’ window.



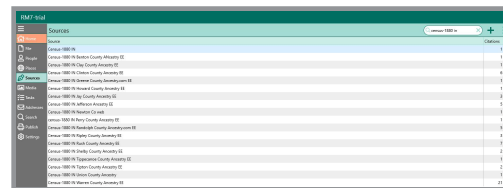
This window is prompting for the same set of information what was entered as ‘Source Details’ in RootsMagic 7. The major difference that I see is that I cannot modify the ‘Master Source’ from this screen in RootsMagic 8 while I was able to make a modification in RootsMagic 7. I am sure this is by design since it will prevent me from ‘messing up’ a

source. Since I know that I have used this ability to edit the 'Master Source' while entering the 'Details,' I will have to train myself to study to footnote at the bottom of the screen. If the footnote has back to back commas, or appears to be missing information, that will be a clue that I need to go edit the Master Source.

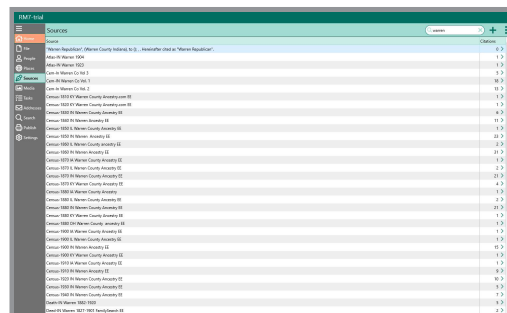
To edit the Master Source, I will need to switch to the 'Sources screen'.



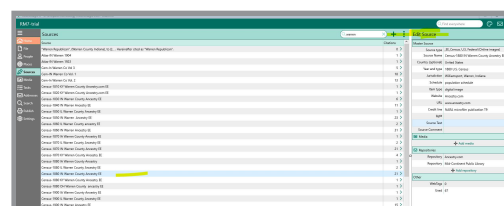
On this screen, I need to find the desired source. In the example, the source name is Census-1880 IN Warren County. To locate that particular source, I can scroll down or I can use the search box. One search option would be to start typing in the name of the source.



Another way to search would be to enter the name of the county in the search box. This is quicker to type in – but yields a longer list of results.

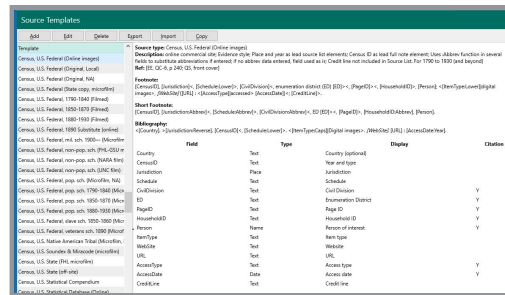


Either way, I need to locate the desired source in the list and click on it. That will show the information for the source in the 'Edit Source' portion of the screen on the right.

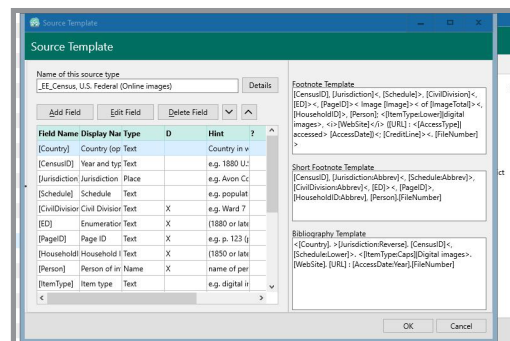


Any change I make here will affect every use of this source. In this example, that would be 21 citations.

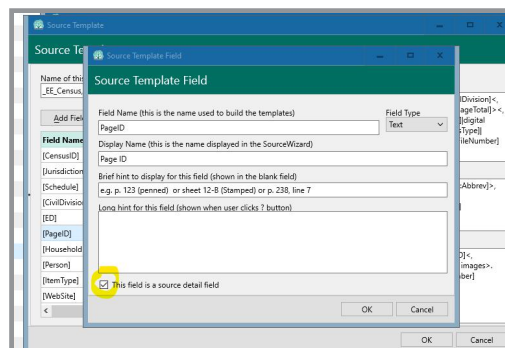
Thus, it is essential to understand which fields are 'universal' for the source and which fields are 'specific' for the citations. To understand the difference, one has to go back to the source template.



A study of the list of fields for the source indicates that some have a 'Y' in the citation column while other fields are missing the 'Y'. Any field with a 'Y' is NOT part of the master source. Instead it forms the 'Details' or 'Citation' portion of the source. Since I work with my own templates, I can click on the EDIT button.



Clicking on a field and then clicking on the Edit Field button opens the 'Source Template Field' window.



This window appears to be the same in RM8 as in RM7. In the above image, the field is for the page number of a census record. I have a check mark for 'This field is a source detail field' since I don't want that piece of information in my Master Source. That little

check mark is what causes the 'X' in the 'D' column of the Source Template image above or the 'Y' in the Citation column in the Source Templates image above that.

I have found that understanding source templates and how they help create sources has helped me understand the way RootsMagic 8 handles sources and citations.

Naming Sources

Friday, January 22, 2021

I've been asked to explain how I name my sources in RootsMagic. I'm sharing my method as an example. I've never actually written out my 'naming' practices.

However, I have heard the genealogist, Cousin Russ, talk about how he maintains a file of instructions that contains his naming practices. His blog post [FTM2012 and AMT – File Naming and Captions](#) discusses some of his naming practices.

Most of my file naming conventions go back to having been the technology coordinator in the local high school for quite a few years. When schools first introduced computers and their accompanying networks, students shared computers. Thus, a major challenge was helping students learn where their files were stored and how to organize them. Another challenge was helping everyone learn to give their file a name versus letting the computer name it.

These experiences along with my personal experience with file names have impacted how I name things in RootsMagic. Basically, my naming conventions take into account the following factors:

- sorting — how does the computer's alphabetical sorting impact the sorting based on the naming convention I've chosen
- grouping — how can I use names to group like things together in a list

RootsMagic 8 introduces a very powerful search function that will help compensate for not using a naming convention. For me, the power of this search feature will be in its ability to sort thru lots of items to quickly locate the one I want.

My willingness to follow a naming pattern has helped me to quickly scroll thru a list of items to find exactly what I'm looking for.

To start with, the source templates that I've created are at the top of the list of source templates. When I first converted my Master Genealogist data to RootsMagic, it created source templates whose names started with `_TMG_`. These source templates appear ABOVE the built in source templates.

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_TMg_Series Book (with Subjects)
_TMg_Ship Passenger List (Filmed)
_TMg_Social Security Death Index (SSDI)
_TMg_Social Security Death Index (SSDI) tmg
_TMg_Syllabus Material
_TMg_Tax Roll, Filmed
_TMg_Tax Roll, Filmed
_TMg_Tax Roll, Unfilmed
_TMg_Translated Work
_TMg_Unpublished / Miscellaneous
_TMg_Vital Record (Filmed)
_TMg_Will (Recorded)
Ancestral File
Ancestral File, CD-ROM database
Ancestral File, online database
Ancestry Member Tree
Ancestry Record

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Thus, I knew that placing the underscore at the start of the name would place the name towards the top of the list. When I converted to RootsMagic, I also started using Elizabeth Shown Mills' book, *Evidence Explained*, as a guide for building my sources. Since I was creating my templates based on *Evidence Explained*, I elected to begin the names for these source templates with `_EE_`. The next part of the name refers to the type of record. This portion of the name is usually the same as the name for the template I copied from.

When it comes to source templates, I learned one thing the HARD way. When one drags a person from one RootsMagic file to another, the source templates used for that person are also 'drug' from the first file to the next. Thus, one can end up with lots of duplicate source templates and no 'easy' button to merge them. This happened to me and I had quite a few census and newspaper source templates in my list.

There is a set of SQL instructions that will merge these 'duplicate' source templates. I finally got up the courage to run these instructions and it quickly merged most of my duplicates. However, I was left with a few duplicates and could not figure out the difference between two source templates. Thus, I renamed one as 'BAD' so that I would not use it for future sources. At some point, I will revisit this to see if I can spot the difference and get them merged.

When it comes to my sources, I begin the name with the type of source followed by a dash. For many sources, I will follow that dash with the abbreviation for the state where the record is found. Then I follow the state's abbreviation with information about the source that sets it apart from similar sources. If the record comes from an online site, I often end the name with the name of the site followed by the letters EE. Those letters, EE, at the end of the source name tell me at a glance that this source is based on *Evidence Explained* and not a source created years ago before I started following these standards.

Examples:

- Birth-AZ 1880-1935 Ancestry EE
- Birth-IA Index 1800-1999 Ancestry EE
- Book-MO History Davies Gentry Counties Archives.org EE
- Cem-IA Graveston Index Ancestry EE

- Death MA 1841-1915 Ancestry EE
- Death MA 1841-1915 FamilySearch EE
- Deed-IN Warren 1827-1901 FamilySearch EE
- Directory-CA Long Beach 1933 Ancestry EE
- Draft-WWII Young Men 1940-1947 Ancestry EE
- History-IA Northwest pioneers (note the lack of EE — this source was likely created in Master Genealogist)
- Marriage-AZ 1865-1972 Ancestry EE
- Military- WWII Navy Muster Rolls 1938-1949 Ancestry EE
- News-KS Dodge City Daily GLOBE D418 KSHS EE (D418 is the microfilm number at the Kansas State Historical Society)
- News-KS Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, KS) Newspapers.com EE (I added the location to my naming process within the last few years.)
- News-KS Hays Daily News Genealogy Bank EE
- News-Dayton Herald (Dayton, OH) Newspapers.com EE
- Probate-KS Ford County EE
- Probate-KS Wills and Probate Records 1803-1987 Ancestry EE
- Tax-KY Fleming 1798-1875 FamilySearch EE
- Vital-VT Records 1720-1908 Ancestry.com EE
- Will-KY Fleming County Book H FamilySearch EE

When it comes to census records, I lump by county. Thus, my naming convention for census records follows the dash with the year of the census. The year is followed by the state abbreviation and then the county name. The source of the census record and EE complete more recent citations. Earlier citations were likely created when viewing microfilm of the census. Thus, they don't have the source or EE. Examples would include:

- Census-1860 IA Buchanan County Ancestry EE
- Census-1857 KS Atchison
- Census-1860 IL Douglas Bk
- Census-1860 IL Knox County Ancestry EE
- Census-1885 IA Wapello County Ancestry EE
- Census=KS Counties 1953-1979 Ancestry EE

Prior to my transition to RootsMagic, I didn't have images attached to events. After the transition, I started downloading images and attaching those images to sources. When I started naming these images, I followed a pattern based on the following:

Surname-Given-bYYYY-YYYY-document

The first set of YYYY referred to the year of birth. The second set of YYYY referred to the year of the event. My thinking was that this would put all images for a person together and that these images would then sort in chronological order.

I soon discovered that this naming pattern did not work for me. Instead I started using folders and subfolders to help organize my images. I have a folder for each of my surname lines. As I discover a new line, I add a new folder. This folder uses the surname for its name.

Within these surname folders, I have folders for the various people with that surname. Each folder name starts with the person's birth year followed by their surname and then their given name. By starting the folder name with the birth year, the folders will sort in chronological order.

My Crawford folder is an example of how this works — especially where I'm researching several different Crawford lines

- 1748-Crawford-William
- 1750-Crawford-Mary
- 1757-Crawford-James-Rebecca-Anderson
- 1772-Crawford-James-Sally-Duggins
- 1808-Crawford-Nelson-G
- 1834-Crawford-James-H
- 1838-Crawford-Washington-Marion
- 1894-Crawford-Leon-Russell

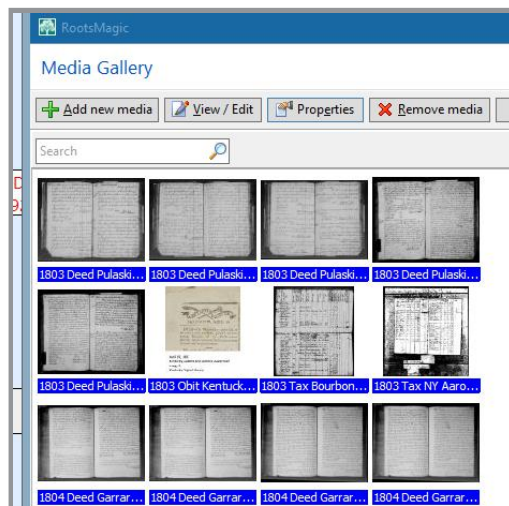
My current practice is to base the file name on the following pattern

YYYY-Type of Record-State Abbreviation-County-Surname-GivenName

- 1800-Tax-KY-Pulaski-Crawford-Alexander
- 1818-Tax-OH-Preble-Crawford-James
- 1822-Deed-OH-Preble-Bk5-p98-Sellers-to-Crawford

Naming these files is where I sometimes get lax in following the pattern. The one portion of the pattern that I have adhered to since adopting this system is to begin the file name with the year of the event. This places the files in the folder in chronological order when sorted by file name.

When adding the image to a source or fact in RootsMagic, I've adopted a similar naming pattern for the caption — it starts with the year of the event followed by the type of document.



As I've worked thru writing this blog, I've discovered quite a few places where I should go back and rename sources, folders and even files.

From my viewpoint, the issue isn't whether you have adopted a naming pattern for source templates, sources, images or captions. Instead, the issue is whether you can locate the desired template, source, or image when needed. No matter what you decide, it has to fit your way of doing things.

Names

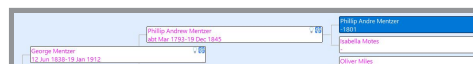
Saturday, January 23, 2021

Have you ever wondered whether you are named after someone? Are your siblings named after someone? For me and my brothers, I have not found any evidence that we are named after other family members. Even though we aren't carrying any family names, my great nieces and nephew were named after family members — and their parents are sharing the family stories with these young children!

As I look at my pedigree, I do see several lines where it appears that names have been passed down. In my Crandall line, Sarah Adell Crandall's middle names is passed down thru several generations. Thus, this name might (or might not) be a clue to previous generations.



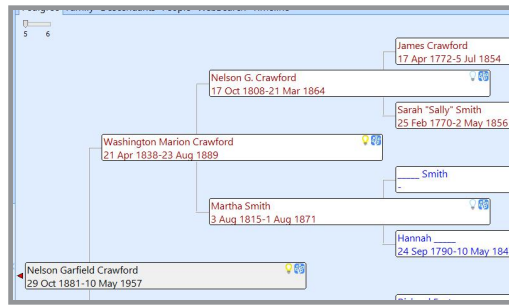
In my Mentzer line, there are two generations of Phillip Mentzers. The name is then passed on to a grandson and a great grandson. Also common in this family line is the middle name, Andrew.



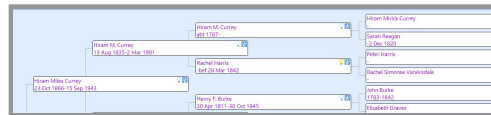
In my Briles line, the given names of John, Frederick, George and Noah are popular. The names, John and Frederick, go back to early Briles families in Randolph County, North Carolina. Investigation of the Noah Briles' in my files reveals that many with this given name are descendants of Noah Rush. Thus, they may have been named after this grandfather. However, there is at least one Noah Briles who is not a descendant of Noah Rush.



In my Crawford line, there is little evidence that a family name was passed down as I follow the line back to my 2nd great grandfather. My great-grandfather, Judson Foster Crawford, gets his middle name from his mother's Foster line. However, the given name Judson is unique. Judson's father, Washington Marion Crawford's name is also unique. I'm guessing that he may have been named after President George Washington. However, that is just a guest on my part. Washington Marion Crawford did name his youngest son after his father, Nelson G. Crawford. This has caused me to wonder whether there is a Nelson Crawford further back on my Crawford line.



Even though most of my lines do not have a name repeated generation after generation, my Currey line is the exception.



I believe I have four generations of men named Hiram M. Currey. I have to say 'believe' because two of the generations just disappear leaving few records connecting them to any children. Thus, I have bits and pieces of evidence that alone do not connect these generations. These pieces of evidence are like a jigsaw puzzle. When put together, these pieces of evidence supports this lineage.

Even though my 5 generation pedigree doesn't indicate that any naming convention was used, I still refer back to those conventions in hopes that my ancestors followed a convention. For more information on naming conventions, see the following:

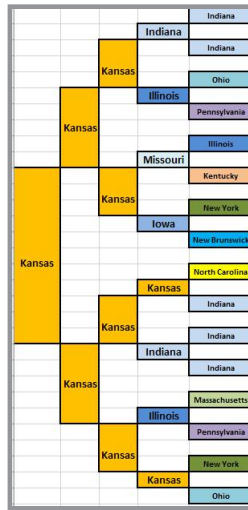
- British Naming Conventions (my ancestry is colonial American with strong British, Scottish or Irish influence)
- The Importance of Names and Naming Patterns

Check out your own pedigree to see how names were passed down in your family.

Evaluating Progress

Saturday, January 23, 2021

Have you ever looked at a chart or table someone else created to display their genealogy data in a different way and wondered what your own data might look like? For many people, this happened when Paul Hawthorne created a pedigree worksheet color coded by birth location.



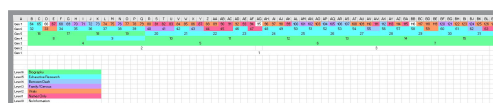
Well, today, genealogist Yvette Hoitink published a way to color code one's research progress in her blog, *Six Levels of Ancestral Profiles – Level Up Challenge*.

Basically, she used the numbers on an ahnentafel chart to create a spreadsheet. Then, she color coded each person based six levels of research progress.

Using her blog as a guide, I decided to see what my research progress looked like. Even though there is no 'fine line' dividing some of these levels from another, I simplified my levels to the following:

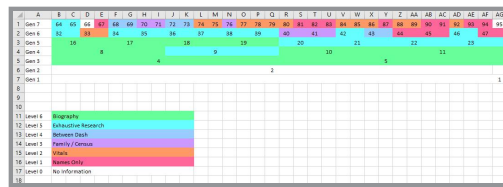
- Level 0 – No Information – no color
- Level 1 – Names Only – pink
- Level 2 – Vitals – orange
- Level 3 – Family / Census – purple
- Level 4 – Between the Dash – blue
- Level 5 – Exhaustive Research – turquoise
- Level 6 – Biography – green

Below is my color coded ahnentafel using the above levels.

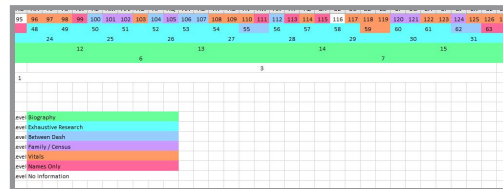


Below is my dad's side of the above chart. I used their 'ahnentafel' number instead of their name so the chart would stay compact. (See Wikipedia article for info on ahnentafel)

numbers.)



Followed by my mother's side of the chart.



This chart helps me see where I need to do more research. The following images turn the numbers of my 7th generation into names.

I wasn't surprised by my results. However, this visualization will help identify future research goals.

Her Land

Monday, January 25, 2021

It's not often that one finds a female spouse purchasing land in the late 1880s, but that is exactly what Angelina Jane Burke Currey did in 1879. Since there are several court documents in 1876 and 1877 where Angelina, her sister, Sarah Burke Hornbuckle and their husbands, Hiram Currey and Gilbert Hornbuckle sued two Burke brothers, Milton and John, for the partitioning of some land in Platte County, Missouri.

Further documentation needs to be found regarding this case and the associated land, but it appears that the court ordered that the land be sold with proceeds being split by the four siblings. Based on a deed between the two brothers, it appears that at least some of the disputed land was sold in 1877. The proceeds Angelina Burke Currey would have received from the sale of this land may have been the cash that allowed Angelina Currey to purchase land in 1879.

In August 1879, Angelina Jane Currey purchased by deed of sale from Owen Duffy and Catherine Duffy 20 acres of land being the South 1/2 of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of section 25 of township 9 of range 22 in Leavenworth County.

This deed, made the nineteenth day of August in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and Seventy Nine between Owen Duffy and Catherine Duffy his wife of Leavenworth City in Leavenworth County and State of Kansas parties of the first part and Angelina J. Currey of the County of Leavenworth and State of Kansas party of the second part witnesseth that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Six hundred dollars to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part the receipt whereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged, do by these presents, grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, alien, convey and confirm unto the said part of the second part and to her heirs and assigns forever, all of the following described piece and parcel of land lying and situate in the County of Leavenworth and State of Kansas, to wit: The South one half of the south west quarter of the south east quarter of section twenty-five (25) in Township nine (9) of Range twenty-two (22) containing twenty (20) acres. Together with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining: To have and to hold the said premises, with the hereditaments and appurtenances unto the said party of the second part her heirs and assigns forever, and the said Owen Duffy and Catherine Duffy for themselves and their heirs and legal representatives do hereby covenant to and with the said

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part of the second part her heirs and assigns that they are lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid and [ha] full power to convey the same that the said premises are free and clear of and from all encumbrance except taxes for 1877, 1878 and 1879 and that they will forever warrant and defend the same with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part her heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever In, testimony whereof the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals this day and year first above written

Owen Duffy (seal)

Catherine Duffy (seal)

executed in the presence of

State of Kansas

Leavenworth County

Be it remembered that on this 19th day of August AD Eighteen hundred and Seventy Nine before me the undersigned a notary public in and for the County and State aforesaid came Owen Duffy and Catherine Duffy his wife who are personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument of writing and such persons duly acknowledged the execution of the same. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year last above written.

Aam'l Atwood, Notary Public.

The State of Kansas

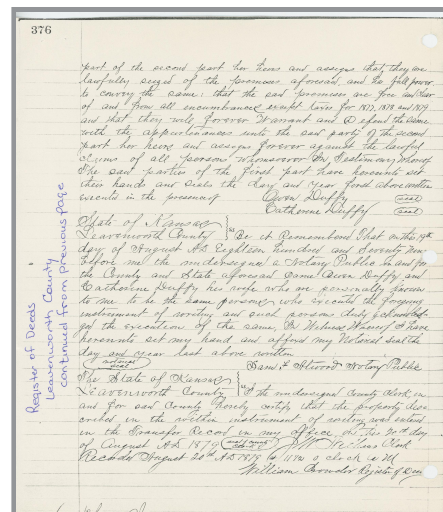
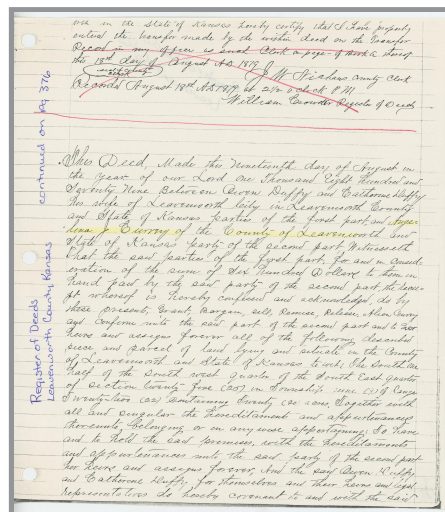
Leavenworth County

I the undersigned county clerk, in and for said county, hereby certify that the property described in the within instrument of writing was entered in the Transfer Record in my office on this 20th day of August AD 1879 (seal county clerk) J W Wilkans, Clerk

Recorded August 20th AD 1879 at 11 1/2 o'clock AM

William Crowder Register of Deeds

Leavenworth County, Kansas, Deed Records, p. 375-376, Angelina J. Currey, 19 August 1879; Register of Deeds, Leavenworth County Courthouse.



In 1887, Angelina and her husband, Hiram Currey, sold a portion of this land to the Leavenworth Northern and Southern Railway Company.

Know all men by these presents that Angeline J Curry and H. M. Curry her husband of the County of Leavenworth in the State of Kansas in consideration of the sum of one hundred and seventy five 35/100 Dollars in hand paid by the Leavenworth Northern and Southern Railway Company a corporation duly organized, under the Company a corporation duly organized, under the Laws of the State of Kansas have bargained and sold and do hereby grant and convey unto the said Leavenworth Northern and Southern Railway Company its successors and assigns forever the following premises situated in the County of Leavenworth and State of Kansas and described as follows a strip of land one hundred (100) feet wide the same being fifty (50) feet in width on each side of the center line of the Railroad of said Railway Company as now located through and across the West Twenty (20) acres of the South fourth (40) acres of the southeast quarter of section twenty five (25) township nine (9) south of range twenty two (22) East and from Station 808 +42 to Station 814 +40 said strip containing one and 37/100 acres

To have and to hold said premises with the appurtenances

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unto the said Leavenworth Northern and Southern railway Company its successors and assigns forever and the said Angelina J Curry for herself and heirs doth hereby covenant with said Railway Company its successors and assigns that she is lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid: that the premises are free and clear from all incumbrances whatsoever and that he will forever Warrant and Defend the same with the appurtenances unto the said Leavenworth Northern and Southern Railway Co. its successors and assigns against the lawful Claims of all persons whomsoever. In Testimony whereof the said Angelina J Curry and H. M. Curry her husband have hereunto set their hands this eleventh day of January AD 1887

Angelina J Currey

H. M. Currey

The State of Kansas

Leavenworth County

On this Eleventh day of January AD 1887 before me Clerk of the District Court in and for said County personally came Angelina J Curry and H. M. Curry to me personally known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument as grantors and they duly acknowledged the execution of the same. On witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal on the day and year last above written.

C W Curan

Clerk of the District Court (seal of court)

Entered in Transfer Record Book B page 134

J W Niehuas

Clerk of Leavenworth County

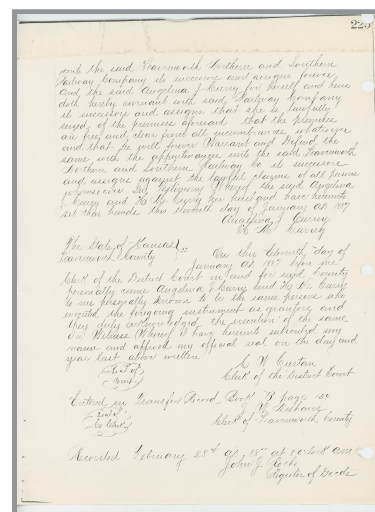
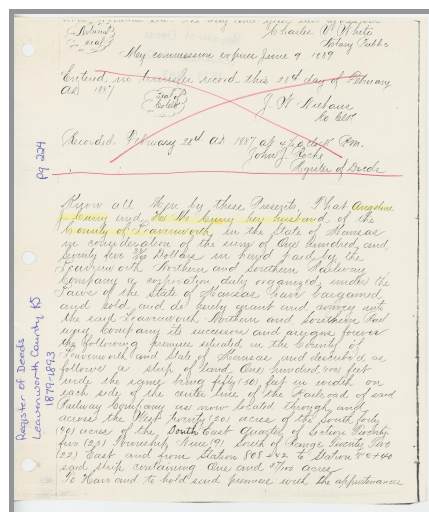
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John J Roche

Register of Deeds

Leavenworth County, Kansas, Deed Records, 1879-1893 page 224, Angelina J Curry and H. M. Curry, 11 January 1887; Register of Deeds, Leavenworth County Courthouse.



In 1889, Angelina and her husband Hiram Currey sold coal and mineral rights on one acre of their land to W. H. Bond.

Hiram M. Curry and Angeline J. Curry his wife do hereby sell, and warrant to W. H. Bond of Leavenworth Kansas or his assigns all strata and deposits of coal and other minerals underlying the following described land in E Side SE 1/4 Sec 25 Town (9) Range (22) 1 acre and S side SE 1/4 Sec 25 Town 9 Range (22) (20) acres in the County of Leavenworth and State of Kansas for the sum of twenty dollars per acre payable in the stock of The Boston Mining Company of Kansas city Kansas to in hand paid dated Leavenworth Kansas June 12th 1889

Angelina J. Currey

Hiram M. Currey

State of Kansas Leavenworth County ss. Be it remembered that on this 12th day of June A.D. 1889 before me the undersigned a notary public in and for the county aforesaid came Hiram M. Curry and Angeline J. Currey who are personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument of writing and such persons duly acknowledged the same witness my hand and official seal the day and year last above written

Jno H. Atwood (notarial seal)

Notary Public

My commission expires Apr 15th 1892

State of Kansas Leavenworth County SS I the undersigned County Clerk of the County of Leavenworth in the State of Kansas hereby certify that I have properly entered the transfer made by the within deed on the transfer record in my office as such clerk on page 276 of Book B thereof this 31 day of July 1.D. 1889

J. N. Niehaus

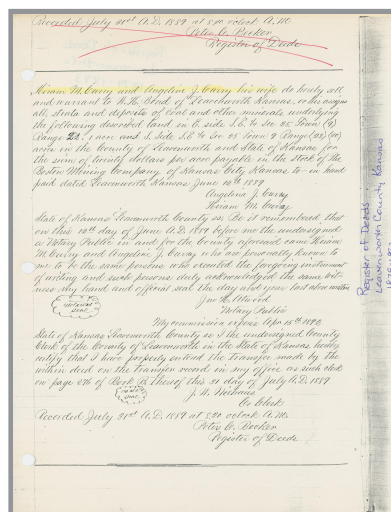
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Peter C. Becker

Register of Deeds

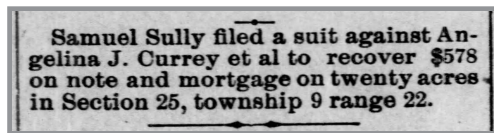
Leavenworth County, Kansas, Deed Records, 1879-1893, Hiram M Curry and Angelina J Curry, 12 June 1889; Register of Deeds, Leavenworth County Courthouse.



In 1893, Angelina and Hiram Currey lost their land after being sued by Samuel J. Sully. Samuel Sully sued for recovery of \$578 on note of mortgage on the land

Samuel Sully filed a suit against Angelina J. Currey et al to recover \$578 on note and mortgage on twenty acres in Section 25, township 9 range 22

"Local News," *The Leavenworth Times* (Leavenworth, Kansas), 12 January 1893, page 6; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 22 January 2021).



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In July 1893, the land was sold by Sheriff's Deed.

Sheriff's Deed

Know all men by these presents, that whereas, at the April Term A.D. 1893, of the District Court of the County of Leavenworth, in the State of Kansas, and on the 10th day of July A.D. 1893 during said term of said Court, in a certain action then pending in said court wherein Samuel J Sully was plaintiff and Angelina J Curry Hiram M Curry, George W Mickle, the Moline Plan Company and the Bas[lou] Coal and Mining Company were defendants, the said plaintiff Samuel J Sully did, in and by the consideration of the said District Court, obtain and recover a judgment against the said Angelina J Curry and Hiram M. Curry for the sum of six hundred and sixty eight 11/100 dollars with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent, per annum from the date, said the 10th day of July A.D. 1893, until paid, and also for all his (said plaintiff's) costs in the action expended, in that judgement then taxed at \$32/20 and that execution issue therefore:

And Whereas, it was then and there in said action, in and by said Court, further Considered, ordered and adjudged that unless the defendants in that action, or some of them, or some person or persons should and did, within six (6) months from that time, pay to said Samuel J. Sully said sum of Six hundred and sixty eight 11/100 dollars with interest thereon at the rate of ten er cent, per annum from that time, said 10th day of July A.D. 1893, until paid, and [his] said Samuel J Sully costs in this action expended that the following described tract of land situate, lying and being in the County of Leavenworth, in the state of Kansas, namely: The South half of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section twenty five (25) township nine (9) range Twenty Two (22) containing twenty acres excepting that from one and thirty seven hundredths (1 37/) acre taken for right of way by The Leavenworth Northern & Southern Railway Company be sold without redemption therefrom, and without appraisement thereof, and that execution issue for the sale thereof, and that the same be sold in the same manner as in cases of sale of real estate on Execution:

and that the officer making such sale appropriate and dispose of the proceeds arising therefrom by paying, First: The costs in said action incurred including the costs of such sale. Next and Second: by paying the taxes if any on and against said land.

Next and Third: by paying plaintiffs judgment and interest thereon

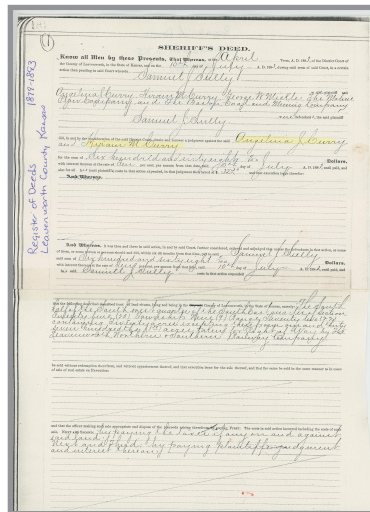
and that he, such officer, bring the remainder such proceeds, if any there should be, into said Court for distribution and application thereof:

And Whereas, it was also then by said Court, in said action, on said 10th day of July A.D. 1893, further considered, ordered and adjudged that the defendants therein and each of them, and all persons claiming by, from, through or under them, or any or either of them, be, and they were thereby that is, then in and by said Court, in said action by its judgment then rendered in said action, forever barred and foreclosed of and from all and any right and equity of redemption and other right whatever of, on, or in or to the tract of land aforesaid from and after such sale thereof, and they, said defendants and each of them, and all persons claiming by, from, through or under them or any or either of them, were thereby, that is, in and by said Court in said action by its judgment then rendered in said

action, ordered and required to yield, surrender and deliver possession of the tract of land aforesaid, to the purchaser or purchasers thereof at said sale, so soon as demand therefore should be made, and that in case they or any of them make default in so doing, that a Writ of Assistance issue to enforce such delivery of possession.

Leavenworth County, Kansas, Deed Records, 1879-1893 p. 181, Sheriff's Deed – Angelina J Curry, 10 July 1893; Register of Deeds, Leavenworth County Courthouse.

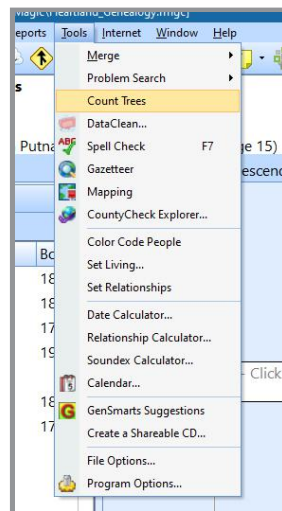
Angelina's land was gone.



RootsMagic Clean-Up Part 4

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

My quest to clean up my RootsMagic 7 database may get sidetracked. The next step is to 'count trees' and then to merge them.



This task assumes that the goal is to have ONE tree. Instead of viewing my software as 'family tree' software, I view it as a database.

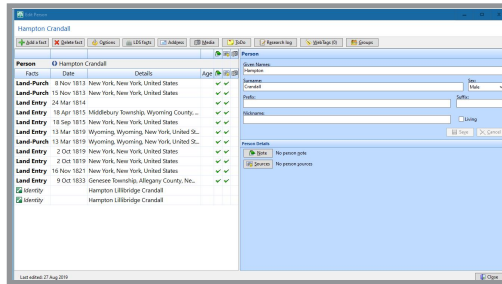
Database – a structured set of data held in a computer, especially one that is accessible in various ways.

Thus, I use my software to keep track of all of my research, as if the software were a specialized form of database software. Knowing that I use my software in this manner, I expected to have a fair number of 'trees' but I didn't expect this many.

A screenshot of the 'Count Trees in Database' window in RootsMagic 7. The window displays a table with two columns: 'Start Person' and 'Count'. The table lists 13 individuals, each with a unique identifier and a count of 1. At the bottom of the window, there are buttons for 'Print', 'Go to Tree', and 'Close'.

| Start Person | Count |
|----------------------------|-------|
| 421 Samuel McClung-8442 | 1 |
| 422 John Sawyer-8413 | 1 |
| 423 Alexander Craig-8414 | 1 |
| 424 Lewis W. Crandall-8293 | 1 |
| 425 Wayde W. Allen-7950 | 1 |
| 426 Erma ____-7951 | 1 |
| 427 Clark Briles-7629 | 1 |
| 428 Scotty Briles-7655 | 1 |
| 429 Susannah ____-8278 | 1 |
| 430 Hampton Crandall-8292 | 1 |
| 431 Tawney E. Sellers-8031 | 1 |
| 432 Sarah Anderson-8236 | 1 |

When I go to one of these 'individual' trees, I understand why I have these individuals by themselves. When I encounter data that may or may not be for someone in my tree, I have created a duplicate person and entered this new data for this duplicate person. Then I create a shared 'Identity' fact to link this new person to the person I think they match in my tree. Below is an example of such a person — Hampton Crandall – 8292.



These 'identity' facts were created in The Master Genealogist. It is one of my customizations from TMG which the sentence structure did not transfer well into RootsMagic.

At the top of my "count trees" list, I find several larger trees. These are trees that I have researched because of possible ties to my own tree.

| Start Person | Count |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| 1 James Crawford-1 | 14609 |
| 2 Rebecca Nicholson-2721 | 1233 |
| 3 Randall LaVerne Crawford-12011 | 134 |
| 4 Col. James Curry-5183 | 74 |
| 5 Alexander Crawford-169 | 69 |
| 6 Moses Curry Sr.-5865 | 67 |
| 7 Mary Curry-8983 | 53 |
| 8 William Walter Crawford-14707 | 46 |
| 9 Even A. Crawford-6052 | 44 |
| 10 Raymond McIntosh Crawford-10717 | 39 |
| 11 Colonel John Crawford Jr-14870 | 39 |
| 12 James Curry-5501 | 38 |
| 13 Perry H. Wells-8660 | 37 |

At this point, I don't have enough information to connect them to my primary tree. Thus, they will remain as their own trees. And I won't be 'cleaning up' these trees by merging them into my primary tree.

RM 8 Import Questions

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

After sharing my experiences with RootsMagic source templates and how I name sources, a reader asked about my experiences importing data into RootsMagic 8.

One question – have you tried importing info into RM8 yet to see if the source citations move over correctly – especially if you have used the free form template?

My initial response was going to be ‘no.’

- No, because my citations are based on the templates and not free form.
- No, because I tried importing a copy of my RootsMagic 7 file in the early days of the preview and it was linked via TreeShare to my Ancestry tree. My current Ancestry tree took about six months to get indexed by Ancestry. Since indexing not only impacts the web hints but also DNA ThruLines, I do not wish to go thru that process again. Thus, I don't want to do anything that might jeopardize the link between my RootsMagic file and my Ancestry tree.

Prior to today, most of my experimentation in RM8 has been with files whose creation goes back to the exporting of portions of my RM 7 file via a gedcom file and then the importing of that file into RootsMagic to create a new, smaller database.

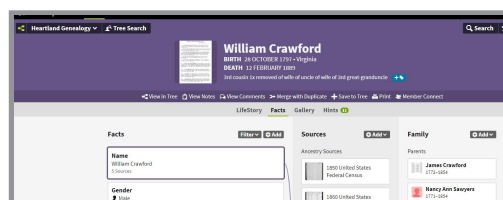
Thus, I decided to do some more experimenting to test the following:

- Import of a RM7 file into RootsMagic 8 preview version
- Impact of RM7 to RM8 import on free form citations
- Impact of RM7 to RM8 import on source citations

Since I still don't want to work with my primary file, I searched my RootsMagic folder for an ‘older’ file that I could use for the import. In that search, I found a McPheeters file which contains the descendants of Alexander Crawford and his wife, Mary McPheeters. I'm not sure why I have this file since this family is in my primary file. Since it is a ‘duplicate’ set of information, I'm comfortable experimenting with the file.

So, my first step was to create some ‘Free Form’ citations. Thinking that the easiest way to create these citations would be to find an individual that already had citations for census records. Thus, I elected to work with William Crawford, son of James Crawford and Nancy Sawyers and great-grandson of Alexander and Mary McPheeters.

Since I have this family line in my primary RootsMagic 7 file, I also have them in my Ancestry tree, Heartland Genealogy. Thus, I did a treeSearch to locate William Crawford in my online tree.



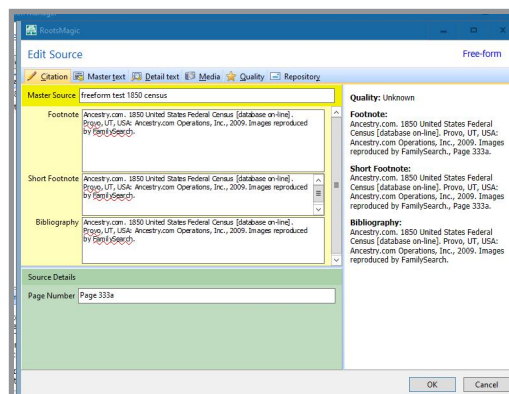
I had already located Ancestry sources for the 1850, 1860, 1880 census records along

with the Find a Grave index and his Texas death certificate, I opened the record for each of these sources in a new tab.

Since I don't use 'Free Form' citations, I'm not sure how others generate their citations. For this demonstration, I elected to take the 'easy' way and copy the source information directly from Ancestry. Thus, I scrolled down on each of these pages to locate the 'Source Citation' section.



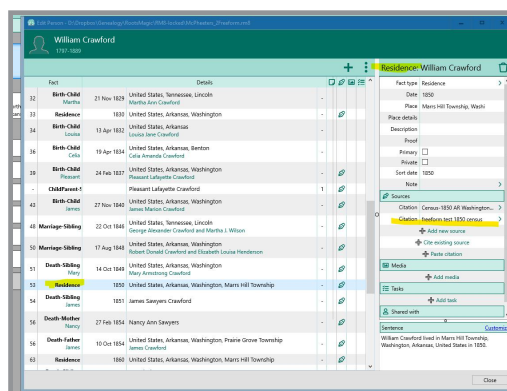
Then in RootsMagic 7, I added a new source for each of these facts using the 'Free Form' template. Again, taking the 'easy' way, I just copied the information from Ancestry into the boxes in RootsMagic – AND I'M SURE I DID IT WRONG. I just needed 'text' in the boxes



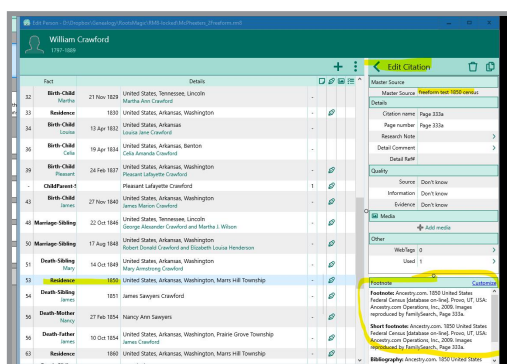
Then I closed the file in RootsMagic 7 and switched to RootsMagic 8.

- Go to File menu and select "Create a New RootsMagic File"
- Select 'Import from RootsMagic 1-7, GEDCOM, or another Program'
- Select RootsMagic versions 1-7
- At bottom of screen, click on the folder icon to 'Browse for File'
- Locate file on computer
- At bottom of screen, click on the folder icon to 'Browse for Destination'
- Locate place on computer to store the file and give the file a name, then click save
- Select desired 'File Options' and click OK
- WAIT for file to import

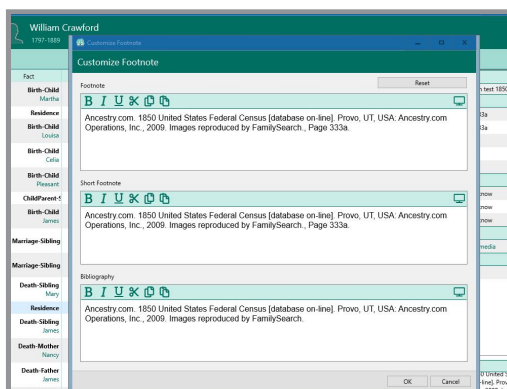
Once the file was imported, I searched for the William Crawford that has the 'FreeForm' citations attached. I then clicked on 'Edit Person' to open his information. Scrolling down, I located the '1850 Residence' fact since it is one of the facts that I attached a free form citation to and clicked on it. That opens the 'Residence' fact on the right side of the 'Edit Person' screen.



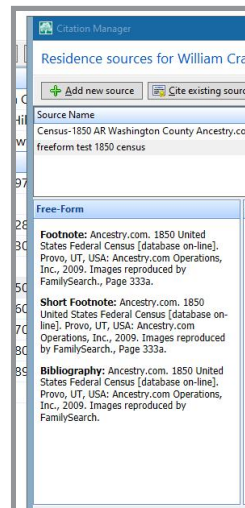
Then, I looked at the 'Sources' section on the right side of the screen to location the 'freeform' citation and clicked on the > to the right of that citation. This opens the "Edit Citation" section on the right side of the window.



To see whether the import from RootsMagic 7 to RootsMagic 8 affected the 'Free Form' citation, I need to look toward the bottom of the Edit Citation screen. This is where the Footnote and Bibliography are shown for the citation. To make it easier to see the footnote and bibliography, I clicked on the Customize button.



Going back to the same file in RootsMagic 7, I opened the source to view the footnote and bibliography in RM7. I'm not a good 'proofreader,' especially when it comes to the punctuation of a footnote, but the information in RM7 (shown below) appears to be the same as that shown above in RM8.



Since I have worked with several RootsMagic 8 files to figure out how my sources and citations are converted, I can say that I have not observed any issues with my source templates, sources and citations in the RootsMagic 8 versions of those files.

From my experience, I would conclude

- one of my RootsMagic 7 files imported without issue into RootsMagic 8
- based on my limited experience, Free Form citations were imported into RootsMagic 8 correctly
- my source templates, sources and citations are converting to RootsMagic 8 without issue.

Josie Hammond

Wednesday, January 27, 2021



Josie Winifred Hammond 1 , female, was born on 9 Feb 1874 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States. 1– 17

She was the child of Richmond Fisk Hammond and Sarah Ellen Ralston. 17

In Jul 1880, in Union, Hardin, Iowa, United States, Josie W. Hammond was listed on the 1880 census living in the household of Richmond Hammond. According to the census, Josie was 6 years old and born in Illinois. 18

She married Judson Foster Crawford on 24 Dec 1890 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 3– 5, 10, 19– 41

She presented a program for Quarto-centennial Celebration of Lewis Post GAR in Apr 1891 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 42

On 4 Mar 1892, Bernice Crawford was born. 43

On 6 Feb 1894, Leon Russel Crawford was born. 4

On 1 Jul 1895, Josie lived in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. She was listed as a 21 year old female born in Illinois in the household of 28 year old J F Crawford. Also listed in the household were 3 year old Bernice Crawford, 1 year old Leon Crawford and 25 year old FOrrest Hammond. 44

On 24 Oct 1895, Marion Richmond Crawford was born. 4

In 1897, she registered to vote in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 45

On 30 Apr 1900, Helen Marjorie Crawford was born. 4

Josie Crawford was listed as the wife of 34 year old J. F. Crawford on the 1900 census in

Dodge City, Kansas. According to the census, Josie was born Feb 1874 in Illinois. Josie and J.F. had been married 9 years. Josie was the mother of 4 children all of whom were living in 1900. Also listed in the household were 8 year old Bernice Crawford, 6 year old Leon Crawford, 4 year old Marion Crawford, 3 month old Helen Crawford and a servant, 18 year old Amy Roth 46

On 16 Sep 1902, Hugh Judson Crawford was born. 4

On 6 Feb 1905, Esther Stella Crawford was born. 4

In 1905, she lived in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. She was listed as a 31 year old female in the household of 39 year old J. F. Crawford. Also listed in the household were 13 year old Bernice, 11 year old Leon, 9 year old Marion, 5 year old Helen, 2 year old Hugh and a 3 month old baby. 47

Josie witnessed the sell of land by Mary Foster on 18 Oct 1907 in Ford, Kansas, United States. 48

On 10 Nov 1909, Lois Elida Crawford was born. 4

On 28 Apr 1910, in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States, Josie was listed as the wife of J. F. Crawford on the 1910 census in Dodge City, Kansas. According to the census, Josie was 36 years old and born in Illinois. Josie was the mother of 7 children, all of whom were living. 49

She witnessed the marriage of George James Allen and Bernice Crawford on 10 Nov 1911 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 4, 50– 51

Josie W. Crawford was listed as a 40 year old female in the household of 48 year old J F Crawford on the 1915 Kansas census living in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. Also listed in the household were 21 year old Leon, 19 year old Marion, 14 year old Hellen, 12 year old Hughie, 9 year old Ester and 5 year old Louis. 52

Between 1917 and 1954, she was a member of the Eastside Bible Class in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 53

In 1920, Josie was listed as the 45 year old wife of Judson F. Crawford on the census living in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. According to the census, Josie was born in Illinois. Also listed in the household were 17 year old Hugh J, 23 year old Marion, 14 year old Esther and 11 year old Lois. 54– 55

In 1924, she lived at 404 Ave G in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 56

In 1925, Josie Crawford was listed as a 51 year old female in the household of 59 year old J. F. Crawford living in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. According to the census, Josie was born in Illinois. Also listed in the household were 22 year old Hugh Crawford, 20 year old Ester Crawford, 15 year old Lois Crawford and 12 year old Jenny Neal 57

Josie W Crawford was listed as the wife of Judson F Crawford on the 1930 census living in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. According to the census, Josie was 56 years old and born in Illinois. Josie was married at age 16. 58

She lived at 504 Avenue G in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States in 1935. 59

Josie W. Crawford was listed as the wife of Judson F Crawford on the 1940 census living at 504 Avenue G in Dodge City, Kansas. According to the census, Josie was 66 years old and born in Illinois. 59

Josie lived at 504 Avenue G in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States in 1942. 60

She lived in Picacho, Pinal, Arizona, United States in 1949. 61

In Feb 1949, she was recognized as a member of the First Methodist Church for fifty years in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 62

Josie signed a will on 16 Mar 1951 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 63

Josie Crawford was listed in the household of Leon Crawford on the 1953 Dodge City, Kansas census. According to the census, Josie was 79 years old. 64

She died on 27 Sep 1954 at the age of 80 in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 1–2, 5, 7, 12, 65–69

She was buried on 29 Sep 1954 at Maple Grove Cemetery in Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States. 2, 7–8, 12, 70

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Grave Memorial no. #110355978, created by Marcia Philbrick, citing Maple Grove Cemetery, Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas; accompanying photograph by Tim Tompkins, Josie Winifred Hammond Crawford.

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14. , *Kansas State Census Collection, 1855-1925*, 1915 Kansas Census; Roll: ks1915_88; Line: 21.

15. , *Kansas State Census Collection, 1855-1925*, 1925 Kansas Census; KSHS microfilm KS1925_49; line 9.

16. , *Kansas State Census Collection, 1855-1925*, 1905 Kansas Census; KSHS microfilm roll: ks1905_53; Line: 14.

17. Richmond Fisk Hammond, *Military and pension record of Richmond Fisk Hammond* (: U.S. Government), Richmond F Hammond 1915 Affidavit.

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19. *Dodge City Times*, Dodge City, KS, Dec. 26, 1890, page 3 col. 4, (Crawford.Judson.Notebook).

20. Ford County Kansas Marriage Records: Book B, page 153 (Crawford.KS.003C) (Crawford.Judson.Notebook), Ford County Clerk, Dodge City, Kansas

21. , [Date], [Page], clipping regarding golden wedding anniversary (Crawford.Judson.Notebook).

22. Judson Crawford entry, Sept. 1950 Journal Entry of Final Settlement, ; , . Hereinafter cited as Final Settlement.

23. *Dodge City Times*, Dodge City, KS, 26 Dec 1890, page 3, col. 4.

24. Kansas, Central Division of Vital Statistics, Marriage Record (24 December 1890), Judson F. Crawford and Josie W. Hammond; State of Kansas, Topeka, KS.
25. "Mr. Judd Crawford ...," Marriage Announcement, *Dodge City Times* (Dodge City, Kansas), 26 December 1890, image 3; digital image, *Chronicling America* (chroniclingamerica.loc.gov : online April 2016); Kansas State Historical Society.
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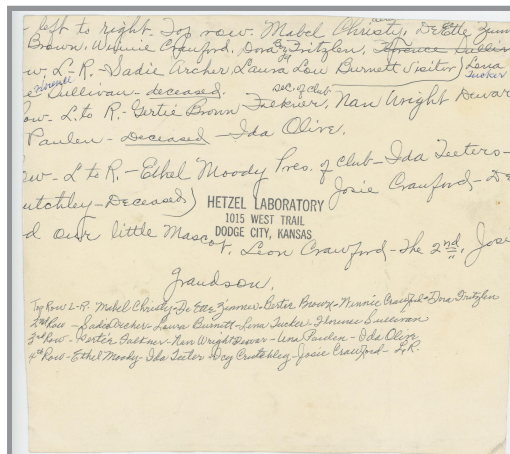
Throwback Thursday

Thursday, January 28, 2021

The following photos were in my grandmother's things. Based on my grandmother's activities, these pictures could be the 'Old Timer's Club' or the 'East Side Bible Study Group' of Dodge City, Kansas.



Top Row (L-R) Mabel Christy, De Ette Zimmer, Bertie Brown, Winnie Crawford, Dora Fritzlen / 2nd Row: Sadie Archer, Laura Burnett, Lena Tucker, Florence Sullivan / 3rd Row: Gertie Falkner, Nan Wright Dewar, Lena Paulen, Ida Olive / 4th Row: Ethel Moody, IDa Teeter, Icy Crutchley, Josie Crawford, L.R.



Top Row: ? – Winnie Crawford – ? – Una Paulen, Lena Tucker, Bertie Br[a?] / 2nd Row: IDa Teeter sister – ? – Dora JONES, De Ette Zimer, Florence Sullivan / 3rd Row: Nina Dellar, Edna Williams, Ida Olive, Ethel Moody, Gertie Falkner, Cora Wood, LR

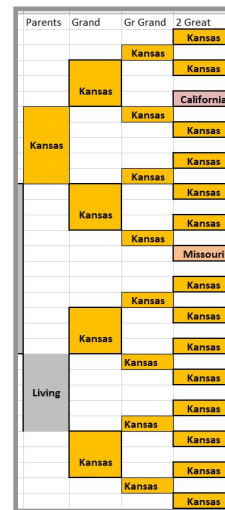
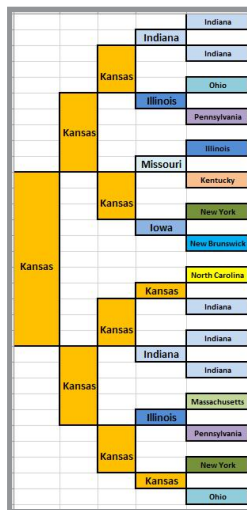
Kansas Roots

Friday, January 29, 2021

Kansas turned 160 years old today!

Happy Birthday, Kansas

My Kansas roots run deep. My parents, grandparents and a couple of great-grandparents were all born in Kansas. While my 5 generation birth chart shows a lot of different states in the fifth generation, my chart of death places shows mostly ancestors dying in Kansas. (births on left, deaths on right)



If all of these ancestors were in Kansas prior to their death, what is the earliest record of them living in Kansas?

Washington Marion Crawford and his wife, Mary Foster Crawford, arrived in **Dodge City, Kansas** around **1884**. According to several newspaper accounts, James H. Crawford was expecting the arrival of his brother, Washington Marion Crawford in June of 1884. In March, 1885, Washington Marion Crawford paid \$2 at the Garden City land office to file a homestead claim. Later in May of 1885, Washington Marion Crawford was accepted as a member of the Lewis Post of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Richmond Fisk Hammond is listed on the **1886** post report as a member of the Lewis Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. Thus, Richmond Fisk Hammond and his wife, Sarah Ellen Ralston Hammond were living in the **Dodge City** area by 1886.

Hiram M. Currey married Angelina Jane Burke in Weston on the Missouri side of the state line in August 1856. In **1860**, Hiram Currey is listed on the territorial census living in **Kickapoo, Leavenworth County, Kansas**. An illustration showing pro-slavery men from Weston voting in 1855 at Kickapoo. This illustration was published in 1867. It is unknown whether Hiram Currey was part of this cross-border battle to determine whether Kansas would be a free state or a slave state. Since Hiram Currey would serve under Captain Samuel Hollister in Company B of the 12th Cavalry Regiment of the Kansas State Militia in 1864, I do not believe he was a pro-slavery voter.

Albert Hutchinson and his wife, Julia Harding Hutchinson, were living in Mitchell county Iowa in 1880. In 1890, Albert is shown on a census of veterans in Clay County, Missouri. According to this military pension record, **Julia** passed away in **1892 in Doniphan County, Kansas**. Albert then married Honore Eliza Van Valkenburg in 1893 in St. Joseph, Missouri (which is across the Missouri River from Doniphan County, Kansas). In 1895, Albert is found living in Doniphan County. He died in **Doniphan county in 1896**.

Alexander Briles purchased land lying in **Coffey County in 1858**. He is shown on the 1859 Kansas territory census living in Coffey County with 8 minors in the household. The family, including his son, Noah Briles, were all listed on the 1860 territorial census living in Coffey County, Kansas. Noah Briles would go to Iowa to work on a farm. While in Iowa, he served in Company I of the 1st Regiment of the Iowa Cavalry Volunteers. After the war, he married Sarah Thompson in Iowa. In **1872, Noah** purchased land in **Coffey county, Kansas**. By 1875, Noah, his wife and their family had moved to Coffey County, Kansas.

James Marshall Ricketts married his wife, Rachel Elmeda Christy in 1866 in Clinton County, Indiana. In 1879, James Ricketts purchased land in Woodson County, Kansas. By **1880**, the family was living in Everett Township, **Woodson County, Kansas**.

George Mentzer is said to have helped establish the first hotel in Kewanee Illinois prior to 1860. However, he must have returned to Massachusetts by 1860 since he is shown on the 1860 census living in his brother's household. George served in Company C of the 24th Regiment of Massachusetts Volunteers. In 1866, George purchased land in Henry County, Illinois. In 1867 George married Emeline Minnick in Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. In 1870, George purchased land in Woodson County. However, the family was still living in Illinois in 1870. In **1871**, George Mentzer and his friend, George Allen, moved their families from Illinois to **Woodson County, Kansas**.

Thurston Kennedy Wells was likely living in **Miami County, Kansas** when his son, William Hall Wells was born to Thurston and his first wife, Sarah Hall in **1857**. In 1860, a K. T. Wells is listed on the census in Lykins County, Kansas. Little is known about the family at this time, but Sarah likely died between 1857 and 1861. In March of 1861, Thurston Wells marries Salome Crandall in Van Buren County, Iowa. In **1875**, Thurston and Salome are found living in **Woodson county, Kansas** on the 1875 census. Also listed in their household are Thurston's two sons by his first marriage and the two younger daughters he had with Salome.

Thus, all of my great-great grandfathers had brought their families to Kansas prior to 1900, with three of them being in the state prior to statehood. Thus, my Kansas roots run deep.

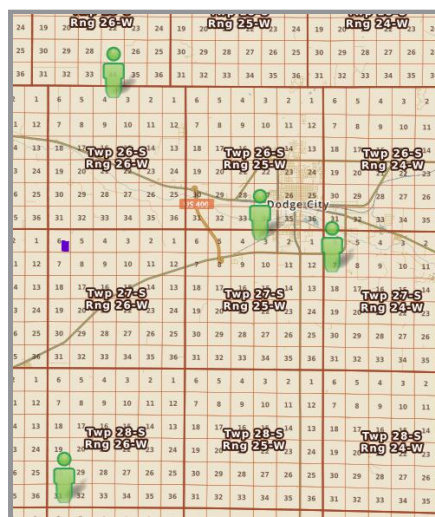
Homestead

Saturday, January 30, 2021

Do you have farmers in your tree? Do you know where the family homestead is (was) located? Since I have a rich Kansas heritage, there are two definitions for homestead:

- a house, particularly a farmhouse and outbuildings
- an area of public land in the west (i.e. Kansas) usually comprising 160 acres that was granted to any U.S. citizen willing to settle the land and farm it for at least five years.

My great great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford was a homesteader — and the only ancestor for whom I've obtained a homestead record. To put this land on a map, I use the web site First Landowners Project at HistoryGeo (\$).



Washington Crawford's land is in the lower left of the above map. Toward the top of the map is land his brother, James H. Crawford owned. The two pieces of land just south of Dodge City were homesteaded by his nephew and his daughter. The purple dot on the map identifies the location of the land Richmond Hammond homesteaded. Richmond's daughter, Josie, would later marry Judson, son of Washington Crawford.

Zooming in on the map, the original neighbors of Washington Marion Crawford can be identified.

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| | WATERS Boler C 1902 | BRASHEAR Robert H 1890 | BUELL Frank E 1889 | BUELL Herbert E 1888 | REINERT Andrew 1891 |
| | HURD | PLUMMER | STOHR | BUELL | STOHR |

In March of 1885, Washington M. Crawford paid \$2 to register his claim at the Garden City Land Office.

[4-250.]

Land Office at Garden City, Kansas.

MAR 31 1885, 1885

Mr. Washington M. Crawford has this day paid
Two dollars, the Reiger's and Receiver's fees
 to file a Declaratory Statement, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged.

A J Hoisington
 Receiver.

Mr. Washington M. Crawford having paid the fees,
 has this day filed in this Office his Declaratory Statement, No. 125
 for *SE 1/4* section *31*
 township *28 S* of range *26 W*, containing
160 acres, selected *March 31, 1885* being *[?]* offered.

MM official

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In July 1889, Washington M. Crawford filed his "Testimony of Claimant" by answering several questions. Interesting bits of information from these questions includes the following:

- had made a previous filing for another tract of land but did not remember the description and never obtained title to it
- there is no timber on the land
- in March of 1886, he built a house and broke 5 acres of land
- Description of buildings: house – frame shingle roof 15 ft x 15 ft with sod addition 10 ft x 12 ft; 3 doors & 4 windows; sod stable 16ft x 32 ft; hen house 8 ft x 8 ft; well 92 ft

deep;

- planted 2000 mulberry trees
- owns a plow and a buggy
- owns 1 cow, 1 calf and 2 horses
- raised crops for 3 seasons
- spent 4 months in 1887 in Dodge City working to earn money to support family

The final certificate for the land was received by the family in May 1890 after Washington M. Crawford's death in August 1889.

The United States of America

To All to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

Homestead Certificate No. 1180

Application 4505

Whereas there has been deposited in the General Land office of the United States a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Garden City, Kansas, whereby it appears that pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862 "To secure Homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Washington M. Crawford has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the South East quarter of Section Thirty one in township Twenty Eight South of Range twenty-six West of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Kansas, containing one hundred and sixty acres.

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said land returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General.

Now know ye, That there is therefore granted by the United States unto the said Washington M. Crawford the tract of land above described to have and to hold the said tract of land with the appurtenances thereof unto the said Washington M. Crawford and his heirs and assigns forever.

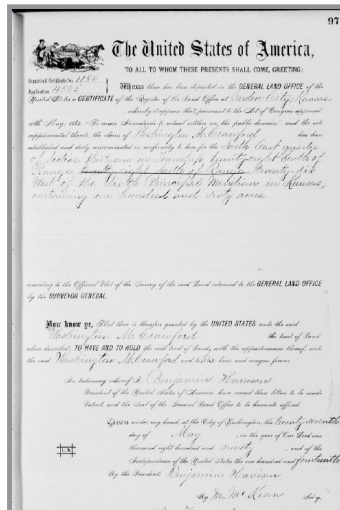
In testimony whereof I, Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States of America have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the twenty seventh day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and fourteenth.

By the President: Benjamin Harrison

By M. McKean Sec'y

J. M. Townsend, Recorder of the General Land Office



His widow, Mary Foster Crawford, sold the homesteaded land in 1907. [Ford County Kansas, Deeds, Vol 31, page 570; Mary Crawford, et al to Peter Hinemann, 18 September 1907; Register of Deeds, Dodge City Kansas.]

From Mary Crawford et al

To Peter Hinemann

Entered in Transfer Record in my office this 18th day of Oct A.D. 1907

S H Cennaway, County Clerk

Filed for record on the 18 day of Oct A.D. 1907 at 4 o'clock P.M.

Geo A Stumph, Register of Deeds

This Indenture made this 18th day of September A.D. 1907 between Mary Crawford widow, Nelson G. Crawford and Cora Crawford his wife, J. F. Crawford and Josie Crawford his wife, Lida A Lighter and Alvin H Lighter her husband all of Ford County Kansas and Ida K Sherman and A O Sherman her husband of Tacoma Washington sole and only heirs of Washington M Crawford deceased of the first part and Peter Hinemann of Ford County, in the State of Kansas of the second part;

Witnesseth, that said parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of Two Thousand (\$2000.00) and no Dollars the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, all the following described Real Estate, situated in the County of Ford, and State of Kansas, to wit:

The Southeast quarter of Section Thirty-on (31) in Township Twenty eight (28) South of Range Twenty Six (26) West of the 6th PM containing 160 acres.

To have and to hold the same, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, forever. And said grantors for themselves their heirs, exeuctors or administrators do hereby covenant, promise and agree to and with said party of the second part that at the delivery of these presents they are lawfully seized in their own right of an absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance, in fee simple, of and in all and singular the above granted and described premises, with the appurtenances; that the same are free, clear, discharged and unincumbered of and from all former and other grants, titles, charges, estates, judgments, taxes, assessments and incumbrances of what nature or kind soever and that they will warrant and forever defend the same unto said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against said parties of the first part their heirs, and all and every

In witness whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands the day and year first above written.

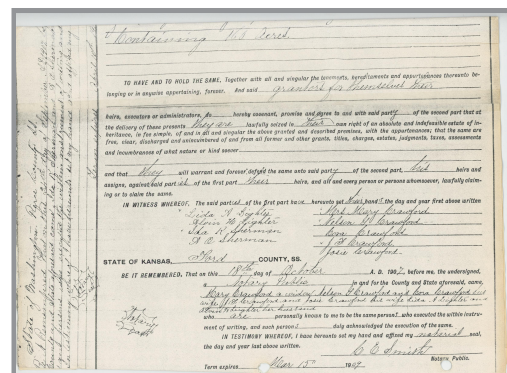
Lida A Lighter
Alvin H Lighter
Ida K Sherman
A. O. Sherman
Mrs. Mary Crawford
Nelson G Crawford
Cora Crawford
J F Crawford
Josie Crawford

Be it remembered, that on this 18th day of October A.D 1907, before me, the undersigned, a notary public in and for the County and State aforesaid, came Mary Crawford, a widow Nelson G Crawford and Cora Crawford his wife, J. F. Crawford and Josie Crawford his wife Lida A Lighter and Alvin Lighter her husband who are personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the within instrument of writing, and such persons duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

Term Expires Mar 15 1909

Be it remembered that on this 24th day of September A.D. 1907 before me the undersigned a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid came Ida K. Sherman and A. O. Sherman her husband is who are personally known to me to be the same persons who executed the within instrument of writing and such persons duly acknowledged the execution of the same. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my notarial seal the day and year last above written.

Robert W Janes
Notary Public
Term expire April 10th, 1910



Bored

Sunday, January 31, 2021

Do you ever get bored and unable to focus on your genealogy research? With area research libraries limiting access and a personal decision to try and stay home until vaccinated, boredom is starting to affect my ability to focus my research.

So today, I'm taking a detour and working the light bulbs on my RootsMagic 7 pedigree that connect to Ancestry hints. Most of those light bulbs were to marriage announcements in Kansas newspapers – which I had already found.

However, one of those light bulbs took me to an obituary in a newspaper that I would have never looked in. The obituary titled, "Died," was published in the Western Veteran in Topeka, Kansas. The text of the obituary contains information found in other sources for my great great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford who died in Dodge City, Kansas.

Died — W. Mari n Crawford. He has been called by the reveil'e on the other shore and is enrolled with the silent majority. Like the true soldier he was ready at any time, and when the order came for his transfer, though the warning was short it found him ready. He was born in Warren county, Indiana, April 21, 1838, where he passed the greater portion of his life. He enlisted August 27, 1861, in Co. H 2d New York Cavalry, better known as the "Harris Light Horse." He was captured September 22, '63, and for nearly fifteen months he suffered all the cruelties and privations of Belle Isle, Andersonville, Florence and other prisons of the South, was paroled December 13, '64 reaching home and friends on the last day of that year, a mere wreck of his former self, from which he never recovered. He was converted to Christianity while a prisoner, and ever after lived a consistent Christian life. He was especially interested in the welfare and comfort of his late comrades. He had a cheerful and kind word for every one. His last act was to respond cheerfully and promptly to a call to take charge of old Fort Dodge which is being fitted for a Soldier's home. He was a member of Lewis Post No. 294 and had been an officer of the post. He died suddenly August 23, 1889, of heart disease, resulting from disabilities contracted while a prisoner of war. It was his request to be buried by his comrades which request was fulfilled, with ex-Andersonville prisoners as pall-bearers. His remains were laid to rest in the beautiful G.A.R. cemetery of Lewis post near Dodge City.

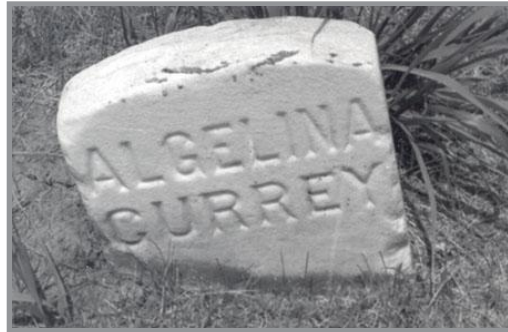
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D.D.R.

"Died," *Western Veteran (Topeka, KS)*, 4 September 1889, page 8; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 26 January 2021).

Angelina Jane Burke

Monday, February 01, 2021



Angelina Jane Burke 1– 2 was born on 30 Oct 1836 in Kentucky, United States. 2– 8

Angelina Burk was listed on the 1850 census in the household of Elizabeth Burk. According to the census, Angelina was 13 years old and born in Tenn. 9– 11

Angelina Curry was listed on the 1860 Kansas Territorial census in the household of Hiram Curry. According to the census, Angelina was 23 years old and born in Kentucky. 12

Mrs. Curry was listed as a 28 year old female in the household of 29 year old Hiram Curry on the 1865 census living in Steuben Township, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 13

Angelina Curry was listed on the 1870 census in the household of Hiram M Curry. According to the census, Angelina was 31 years old and born in Kentucky.

She and Hiram Currey sold land being the NW 1/4 Section 26 Township 7 Range 21 at a sheriff's sale to Moses J. Patterson on 15 Dec 1871 in Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 15

A J Curry was listed on the 1875 Kansas census in the household of H M Curry. According to the census, A J Curry was 33 years old and born in Kentucky. 2

On 5 May 1876, she and her husband, Hiram Currey, along with Guilford Hornbuckle and his wife, Sarah, filed petition against John M. Burke and Milton E. Burke seeking partition of the E 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 34, Township 54 of Range 36 on 5 May 1876 in Weston, Platte, Missouri, United States. 16

In Nov 1876, Angelina with her husband, Hiram M. Currey, and Gilford Hornbuckle and his wife Sarah petitioned John M. Burke and Milton E. Burk for partition of land being the E1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 34 in Township 54 of Range 36 in Platte City, Platte, Missouri, United States. 17

On 5 Apr 1877, she and her husband, Hiram Currey, along with Guilford Hornbuckle and Sarah Hornbuckle, his wife, were plaintiffs in a case against Milton E. Burke where the court found for the plaintiffs and assessed \$679.92 against the defendant in Platte City,

Platte, Missouri, United States. 18

On 10 Apr 1877, she and her husband, Hiram Currey, as plaintiffs along with Guilford Hornbuckle and Sarah Hornbuckle, his wife, appealed an earlier decision against John M. Burke and Milton E. Burke upheld in Platte City, Platte, Missouri, United States. 19

Angelina purchased by deed of sale from Owen Duffy and Catherine Duffy the S 1/2 SW 1/4 SE 1/4 S25 T9 R22 20 acres on 19 Aug 1879 in Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 20

Angelina Currey was listed on the 1880 census in the household of Hiram M Currey. According to the census, Angelina was 43 years old and born in Kentucky.

Angeline Curry was listed as a 47 year old female in the household of H. M. Curry on the 1885 Kansas census living in Delaware Township, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 7

On 11 Jan 1887, she and her husband, Hiram Currey, sold land by deed of sale to Leavenworth Northern and Southern Railway Co. being an 100 feet wide easement with 50 feet each side of railroad across the West 20 acres of South 40 acres of SE 1/4 S25 T9 R22E from station 808-42 to station 814-40 for a total of 1 37/100 acres; in Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 22

On 12 Jun 1889, Angelina and her husband, Hiram Currey, sold by deed of sale to W. H. Bond coal and other mineral rights on the East side of SE 1/4 S25 T9 R22 containing 1 acre; and S. side SE 1/4 S25 T9 R23 containing 20 acres in Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 23

On 10 Jul 1893, she and her husband, Hiram Currey, sold by Sheriff's deed to Samuel J. Sull 20 acres of S1/2 SE 1/4 S25 T9 R22 as judgement in suit filed by Samuel J. Sull against Angelina J. Curry, Hiram M. Curry, George W. Mickle, The Moline Plan Company and the Bastope Coal and Mining Coin Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 24– 26

A. J. Correy was listed as a 59 year old female in the household of H. M. Correy on the 1895 Kansas census living in Delaware, Leavenworth, Kansas, United States. 8

Angelina Currey was listed on the 1900 census as the wife of Hiram Currey. According to the census, Angelina was born Oct 1836 in Kentucky. In 1900, Angelina and Hiram had been married 44 years. Angelina was the mother of 9 children, 7 of whom were living in 1900. 27

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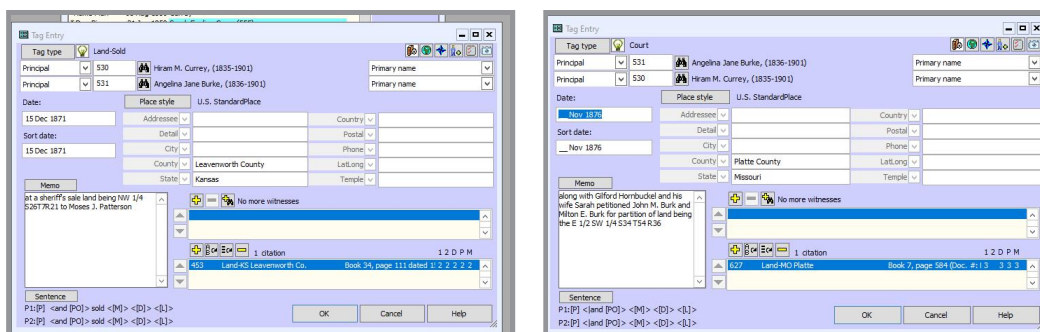
Shared Facts

Tuesday, February 02, 2021

RootsMagic Clean-Up Part 5

If you haven't figured out by now, I'm in the middle of figuring out issues with my RootsMagic data that likely should be resolved before transitioning to RootsMagic 8. While also working on narrative reports for my 2nd great grandparents, I came across some 'Shared Facts' that are likely an issue that should be cleaned up.

As I've mentioned before, my RootsMagic data was imported from The Master Genealogist. And that is the source of my 'shared facts.'



Although shared facts make it easy to enter data, there are issues associated with their use.

- Gedcom doesn't handle shared facts
- Ancestry TreeShare does not connect the sources for a shared fact to an event
- Shared facts do not print in chronological order on a narrative report

For more information about shared facts vs family facts vs individual facts see the discussion by Jerry Bryan on the RootsMagic forum discussion about Census (Family) and Residence (Family) fact type problems. (Scroll down to find Jerry Bryan's comments.)

Since narrative reports are one of the ways I share my genealogy data, converting these shared facts to individual facts is now a priority. There is no 'easy button' for this process. It will have to be done one fact at a time. Copying the information from the family fact to an individual fact will be made easier by using a screen shot of the existing family fact for reference when creating the individual fact.

Land-Sold (fam) - Hiram M. Currey

Date: 15 Dec 1871

Place (City, County, State, etc.): Leavenworth, Kansas, United States

Place details (address, hospital, cemetery, etc.):

Description: at a sheriff's sale land being NW 1/4 S26T7R21 to Moses J. Patterson

Proof: ☐ Primary Sort date: 15 Dec 1871

☐ Private Save Cancel

Land-Sold (fam) Details

Note No Land-Sold (fam) note

Sources 1 Land-Sold (fam) source

Share Share this fact

Sentence Customize sentence

Angelina Jane Burke and Hiram M. Currey sold at a sheriff's sale land being NW 1/4 S26T7R21 to Moses J. Patterson on 15 Dec 1871 in Leavenworth, Kansas, United States.

Once the fact is created and the sentence is customized, I can go back to the family fact to copy the source and paste it into the newly created individual source. Then the process needs repeated for the individual that shared the original fact.

Once the individual fact is created for all parties, then the original shared fact can be deleted.

This will be a slow but necessary process.

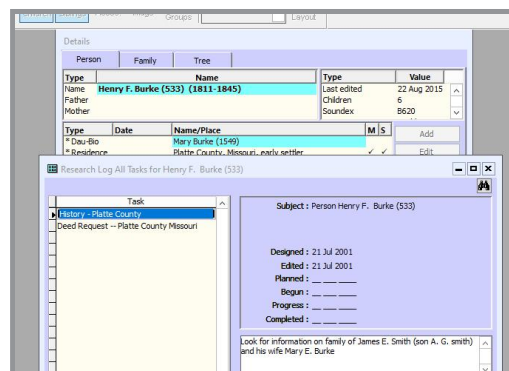
Tasks and Logs

Wednesday, February 03, 2021

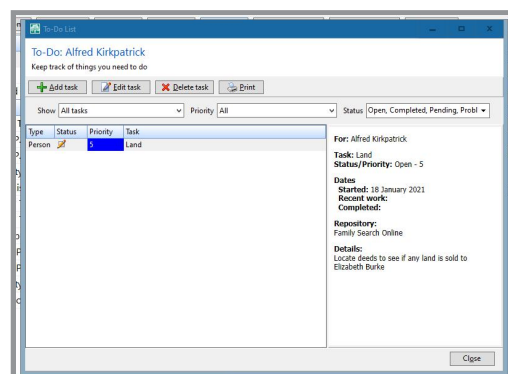
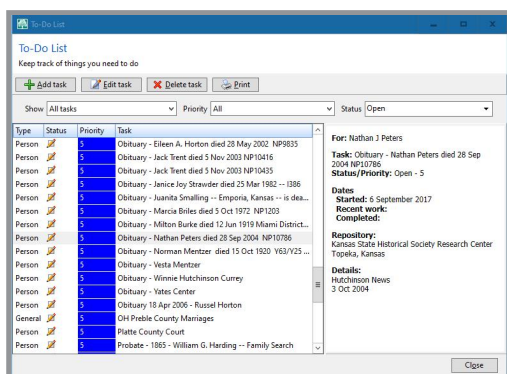
Research Logs – I think the genealogy camp can be divided into those who love them and those that don't. Most 'lovers' of research logs will gladly show off their spreadsheet or other tool to record their research progress.

My first research log was a notebook where I wrote down some information about the source as I used it. During a trip to the Family Search Library in Salt Lake, I started using their paper forms as a research log. Each form was for a different surname and often for a different repository or even date of research. Even though I still have my original notebook, I do not have the individual forms. As I entered the source citations in my software, those forms were discarded.

During those early days of my research I at least tried to keep a research log. As I transitioned from paper family group sheets to software, I tried to use the capabilities of the software to log my research. In the process, the log switched to more of a 'to do' list. Below is a screenshot of such a 'log' in my The Master Genealogist file.



As I transitioned from The Master Genealogist to RootsMagic, I again attempted to use RootsMagic's built-in To-Do list.



As I've been working with the RootsMagic 8 preview, I'm again wanting to see how successful I will be using the Tasks feature of RootsMagic 8. To learn how this feature works I've watched (and re-watched) the RootsMagic 8 Preview video about Tasks.

So, I decided to create the same Kirkpatrick task in RootsMagic 8. So, from the Task screen, I added a task.

Add Task

| Task | |
|----------------|--|
| Name | Land-MO Platte County - KIRKPATRICK |
| Start date | 25 January 2021 |
| Last edit date | |
| End date | |
| Goal/Details | Locate deeds to see if any land is sold to Elizabeth Burke |
| Results | |
| Status | New |
| Priority | 1 (Highest) |
| Ref# | |
| Filename | |
| Task type | |

OK Cancel

Then, I migrated to Alfred Kirkpatrick's 'Edit Person' screen, where I need to add the task.

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Once I click on the 'Add Task' link, I can select the task from the master list of tasks.

Add (or select) task

Add New Task

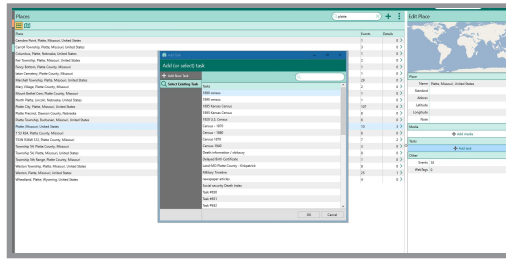
Select Existing Task

Tasks

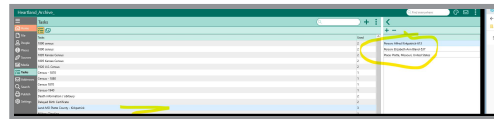
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- Census-1940
- Death information / obituary
- Delayed Birth Certificate
- Land-MO Platte County - Kirkpatrick
- Military Timeline
- newspaper articles
- Social security Death Index
- Task #650
- Task #651
- Task #652

OK Cancel

Since RootsMagic 8 will allow me to attach the same task to both a person and a place, I migrated to Platte County, Missouri in my Place list to add the task to that place.



After also adding the task to Elizabeth Bland Burke, the other party in the sought after land transactions, I can go to the task and verify how often it has been used.



In figuring all of this out, I discovered some things about my usage of tasks:

- I had tasks that I had completed still showing as needing completion in my RootsMagic 7 file.
- I have tasks in a RootsMagic 8 file created from a RootsMagic 7 file named TMG that are not in my primary RM 7 file. I'm guessing that this tmg.rmgc file was created by importing my Master Genealogist data into RM 7 while my primary file was not created by a direct import. Thus, I will have to go thru all of these tasks to see what has been done vs what still needs to be done
- I fail at using this feature of the software! For proof, just look at the first image. This task was created in 2001 in Master Genealogist. I quit using Master Genealogist in 2016. Thus, this task set unfinished for FIFTEEN years.

I have considered using this software feature to create a list of resources to use on a research trip. However, I've had more success using a simple spreadsheet.

As I've contemplated writing this blog post over the past couple of weeks, I realized that my genealogy goals are a form of a genealogy to-do list. These goals could easily become tasks in RootsMagic 8. However, I'm finding I keep referring back to my bullet journal and my list of 2021 goals. These might be in a simple hand-written list, but they are something I'm looking at on a regular basis versus being buried in a list of tasks I rarely look at.

I guess that puts me in the camp of researchers that don't use traditional research logs. For an alternative to formal research logs, check out the video, [Why You Don't Need Research Logs in Genealogy](#).

So which camp are you in?

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, February 04, 2021

Each Thursday, I am trying to share some of the family pictures that have been passed down to me by my grandmothers. Today's set of pictures comes from my Dodge City collection.

According to the description on the back, a couple of these pictures were taken at the 'Airport Restaurant'. This was one of my grandmother's favorite restaurants. It was a small cafe with about 5 booths and a small counter. Several of the booths overlooked the runway. Thus, we would sit in a booth, eating traditional American food, as we watched the activity around the hangars and runway.

The pictures are from a celebration of Alma Currey Taylor Grenier's 75th birthday in 1987. Included in the pictures are Alma's husband, Nap; Alma's sister and my grandmother, Winnie Currey Crawford; and Winnie's sister-in-law, Esther Crawford Noll.



Esther Noll, Winnie Crawford, Alma Grenier



Alma Grenier, Esther Noll, Winnie Crawford



Esther Noll, Winnie Crawford, Nap Grenier



Winnie Currey Crawford and her sister, Alma Currey Taylor Grenier

Albert Hutchinson

Saturday, February 06, 2021

Albert Hutchinson 1 was born about 1838 in Northhampton, Fulton County, New York. 2–5

Albert Hutchinson was listed as a 14 year old mail born New York on the 1850 New York census. He was living in the house of Ephraim Finch, a 53 year old farmer and his wife Cynthia. 1

He married Julia Harding on 14 Sep 1859 in Black Hawk, Iowa, United States. 6–9

Albert Hutchinson was listed on the 1860 Iowa census as a 24 year old farmer born in New York. Albert was the head of the household. Also living in the household was 20 year old Julia Hutchinson, 16 year old Isabella Harding and 36 year old Loren Gilbert. 10

On 12 Jul 1860, Gertrude Hutchinson was born.

On 9 Jun 1862, Albert G. Hutchinson was born.

Albert Hutchinson enlisted as a private in Company D of the 1st Regiment of the Iowa Cavalry Volunteers command by Captain Jinks. 5, 11–16

He was mustered out of Company D 1st Regiment of the Iowa Cavalry on 31 Dec 1863 in Little Rock, Pulaski, Arkansas, United States. 17

He reenlisted on 1 Jan 1864 in Little Rock, Pulaski, Arkansas, United States. 18

Albert was mustered in as a private in Iowa First Calvary Company D on 14 Mar 1864 in Sumner Township, Buchanan County Iowa. 18–20

He had 3rd installment bounty due withheld for being absent without leave from June 18, 1864 to June 30th, 1864. 21

On 2 Mar 1865, William Henry Hutchinson was born.

He was discharged from the military on 15 Feb 1866 in Austin, Travis, Texas, United States. 2, 22

About 1867, Frederick Hutchinson was born.

Albert purchased land being W 4 acres of E 6 1/2 acres N 1/2 SW NE S29 T91 R13 on 7 Dec 1869 in Bremer, Bremer, Iowa, United States. 23

About 1869, Cary Hutchinson was born.

All Hutchinson was listed on the 1870 census in Jackson Township, Bremer County, Iowa as a 37 year old farmer who was born in New Brunswick. Also living in the household was 35 year old Julia Hutchinson; 10 year old Gertrude Hutchinson; 8 year old Alice Hutchinson; 6 year old Millie Hutchinson; 3 year old Frederick Hutchinson and 1 year old Cary Hutchinson.. 24

On 6 May 1871, Winnie Mae Hutchinson was born.

He sold land being the W 4 acres of the East 6 1/2A N 1/2 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 S29 R13 T91 on 10 Jun 1871 in Bremer, Bremer, Iowa, United States. 23

On 21 Sep 1874, Elnora Hutchinson was born.

On 29 Feb 1876, Guy Thomas Hutchinson was born. 25

In Jul 1879, Francesca Hutchinson was born.

A Huchardson was listed as a 49 year old farmer born in New York on the 1880 census living in Douglas Township, Mitchell County, Iowa. Also listed in the household was a 40 year old wife Julia Huchardson; a 15 year old son, William Hutchardson; a 9 year old daughter, Winnia Huchardson; a 7 yea old daughter, Ellnora Huchardson; a 4 year old son, Guy Huchardson, and a 10 month old son, Frances Huchardson. 26

About 1884, Elvira Hutchinson was born.

Albert Hutchinson was listed on the 1885 Iowa census as a 55 year old male farmer. He was listed as having been born in New York. According to the census, Albert resided in the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 section 36, township 91, range 14. Also listed in the household were 44 year old Julie Hutchinson; 21 year old Albert Hutchinson; 20 year old William Hutchinson; 14 year old Winna Hutchinson; 11 year old Gene Hutchinson; 9 year old Frank Hutchinson; 5 year old Leula Hutchinson and 1 year old Ehura Hutchinson. 27

Albert Hutchinson was listed on the 1890 veterans schedule living in Fishing River Township, Clay County, Missouri as a a veteran of Company D 1st Iowa Cavalry having served 1 year 3 months and 24 days. 28

He received a military pension on 16 Aug 1890 . 29

Albt Hutchison was listed on the 1895 Doniphan County, Kansas census as a 65 year old white male born New York who was honorably discharged from service in Iowa Company D Regiment 1. Albt's birthplace was given as New York. According to the census, Albt moved to Kansas from Iowa.. Also listed in the household was Eliza Hutchison, a 27 year old female born in Missouri, Howard Noland, a 9 year old male born in Missouri, and Peter Noland, a 7 year old male born in Missouri. 30

Albert died on 22 Jul 1896 at the age of 58 in Doniphan, Doniphan, Kansas, United States. 2, 4, 31

He was buried at Elwood Cemetery in Elwood, Doniphan, Kansas, United States. 4, 32

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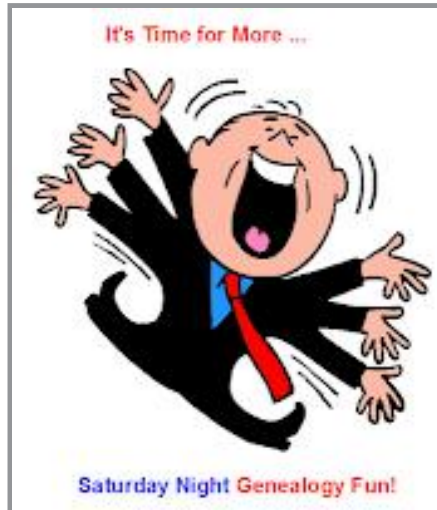
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Genealogy Fun

Sunday, February 07, 2021

It's time again for Randy Seaver's Saturday Night Genealogy Fun!



Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) Where did your ancestral families reside in 1920? Do you know their addresses or locations? Have you visited the home? Who was enumerated in the 1920 in each family? Are any of your ancestral families missing from the 1920 U.S. Census even if they should be in the census?

Grandparents

Leon and Winnie Crawford were family number 34 in Ward 1, Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas on the 1920 census. Their entry does not contain a dwelling number or a house number. Listed above Leon and Winnie Crawford at 800 Avenue C is the widow Missouri Weber. Thus, it appears that Leon and Winnie were living in the house at 800 Avenue C. Everyone in the household could read and write.

- Leon Crawford is listed as a 25 year old male who was born in Kansas. According to the census, Leon is renting his home. The census lists the birthplace of Leon's father as Indiana and his mother as Illinois. Leon was employed as a switchman by the railroad and earned a wage.
- Winnie Crawford is listed as the 16 year old wife of Leon Crawford. According to the census, Winnie was born in Kansas. The census lists the birthplace of Winnie's father as Missouri and her mother as Iowa.

Osmund Briles, his wife Pauline and a 2 year old son are listed in household 262 living in Iola, Allen County, Kansas. The street address is illegible. The previous household is at 509 and the next household is 515 State Street. Osmund Briles was renting his home. Osmund and Pauline could both read and write.

- Osmund Briles is listed as a 24 year old male who was born in Kansas. According to

the census, his father was born in Kansas while his mother was born in Indiana. Osmund Briles. Osmund was a farmer.

- Osmund's 24 years old wife, Pauline, was also born in Kansas. According to the census, her father and mother were both born in Indiana.
- The household also contains a 2 1/2 year old son who was born in Kansas. No given name is listed for the son.

Great Grandparents

Judson F Crawford, his wife Josie, sons Hugh J and Marion and daughters, Esther and Lois are living at 504 Avenue G in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas in 1920. Judson owned his home free and clear. Everyone in the household could read and write.

- Judson F Crawford was listed as a 53 year old male who was born in Indiana. Both of his parents were also born in Indiana. Judson was a switchman for the railroad, earning a wage.
- Josie Crawford, wife of Judson, was listed as a 45 year old female born in Illinois. Josie's father was born in Ohio and her mother was born in Pennsylvania. Josie was not employed.
- Hugh J Crawford was listed as the 17 year old son of Judson Crawford. Hugh was born in Kansas. Hugh was attending school and not employed.
- Marion Crawford was listed as the 23 year old son of Judson Crawford. Marion was born in Kansas. Marion was earning a wage as a railroad switchman.
- Esther Crawford was listed as the 14 year old daughter of Judson Crawford. Esther was born in Kansas. Esther was attending school.
- Lois Crawford was listed as the 11 year old daughter of Judson Crawford. Lois was born in Kansas. Lois was attending school.

Hiram Currey was listed as a 50 year old widowed lodger in the household of Charles H. Taylor at 4020 Central Street in Ward 4, Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. Hiram's birthplace is listed as Kansas. According to the census, his father was born in Ohio and his mother was born in Missouri. Hiram earned a wage as a baker at a cone factory. Hiram Currey could read and write.

Eddie G. Briles, his wife Frances and daughter, Lula are listed as family #49 on the 1920 census living in Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas. The address is listed as 708 South Green. Eddie owned his home, but it was mortgaged. Everyone in the household could read and write.

- Eddie G. Briles was listed as a 50 year old farmer who was born in Kansas. According to the census, his father was born in Kentucky and his mother was born in Iowa.
- Frances Briles was listed as the 51 year old wife of Eddie Briles. According to the census, Frances was born in Indiana. The birthplace for both of Frances' parents is listed as Indiana.
- Lula Briles was listed as the 20 year old single daughter of Eddie Briles who was born in Kansas. Lula was a teacher at a rural school.

The household of **Charles O. Mentzer** was living in Everett Township, Woodson County, Kansas in 1920. Everyone in the household could read and write.

- Charles O. Mentzer was listed as the 50 year old head of household. Charles rented his home. According to the census, Charles was born in Illinois. The census listed the birthplace of Charles' father as Massachusetts and his mother's birthplace as Pennsylvania. Charles was a farmer.

- Nettie Mentzer was listed as the 47 year old wife of Charles Mentzer. According to the census, Nettie was born in Kansas. The census listed the birthplace of Nettie's father as New York and her mother's birthplace is listed as Ohio.
- Paul Mentzer was listed as the 23 year old son of Charles Mentzer. Paul was born in Kansas. Paul was employed as a garage mechanic.
- Leslie Mentzer was listed as the 21 year old son of Charlese Mentzer. Leslie was born in Kansas and employed as a farm laborer on the family farm.
- Herbert Metnzer was listed as the 19 year old son of Charles Mentzer. Herbert was born in Kansas and employed as a farm laborer on the family farm.

Great Great Grandparents

Washington Marion Crawford – Deceased

Mary Crawford is listed as the owner of the house at 911 Second in Dodge City, Ford County, Kansas. According to the census, Mary was a 77 year old widow who was born in Indiana. The birthplace for both of Mary's parents is listed as Ohio. Mary could read and write. Charles Ramsey and his wife Leona are listed as renters at 911 Second.

Richmond Hammond has not been found on the 1920 census. According to the record for Richmond F Hammond found in the database, U.S., National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, 1866-1938, Richmond Hammond was in and out of the home in Los Angeles County, California.

Sarah Ellen Ralston Hammond – Deceased

Hiram Currey and his wife Angelina – both deceased

Albert Hutchinson and his wife Julia – both deceased

Noah Briles – deceased

Sarah J. Briles was listed as 76 year old widow who was a renter in the household of Harry Myers. Sarah could read and write. According to the census, Sarah was born in Indiana. Both of her parents were also born in Indiana. Harry Myers' household included his 51 year old wife, Ida E. Myers, his 21 year old son, Max; and his 18 year old daughter, Gladys. (Ida Myers was the daughter of Sarah Briles.)

James M Ricketts and his wife, Rachel E. Ricketts were listed in household 41 in Liberty Township, Woodson County, Kansas. James owned his home free and clear. Both James and Rachel could read and write

- James M. Ricketts was 72 years old and born in Indiana. According to the census, his father was born in Kentucky and his mother was born in Indiana. James was a farmer.
- Rachel E Ricketts was listed as the 74 year old wife of James M. Ricketts. Rachel was born in Ohio. According to the census, Rachel's parents were also born in Ohio.

George Mentzer – Deceased

Emeline Minnick Mentzer was listed as a 70 year old widowed head of household living in Center Township, Woodson County, Kansas. Emeline owned her home free and clear. According to the census, Emeline was born in Pennsylvania. According to the census, both of her parents were also born in Pennsylvania. Also listed in the household was

Emeline's 68 year old single sister, Mary E. Minnick.

Thurston and Salome Wells – Deceased

Proving Death

Monday, February 08, 2021

Do you have civil war era ancestors? If so, have you tried to obtain a military or pension file? Over the years, I acquired quite a few. Unfortunately, it was only AFTER I had sent off for most of them that I heard that one should be sure to request the ENTIRE file. Apparently, requests by mail were sometimes filled with only parts of the files — and the person fulfilling the request made the decisions about what parts of the file were returned.

Well, I can tell you that you definitely need to request the entire file! I requested the military and pension file for Albert Hutchinson early in my days of research. Since the pension application involved his son by a second marriage, most of what I received involved affidavits about his second marriage. After retirement, I again requested this file. This time, I used researchers at American Civil War Ancestor to obtain digital copies of each page of the file.

Buried in the over 80 images from the file were two affidavits from Peter Miller of Wathena. According to the affidavits, Peter Miller sold coffins to Albert Hutchison for his mother and then for his father.

Image 78
County of Doniphan
State of Kansas

I Peter Miller of the County of Doniphan, State of Kansas
being first duly sworn do state upon my oath, that I have been actively engaged in the undertaking business in Wathena Kansas, for the past Twenty years, And on Jan 4th 1892 Albert Hutchinson Jr. son of Albert Hutchinson purchased from me a a coffin in which to bury his Mother, Julia Hutchison, wife of Albert Hutchison.

Peter Miller

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th Day of August 1911

Commission expires Sept 5th 1911 [? Bent]
Notary Public

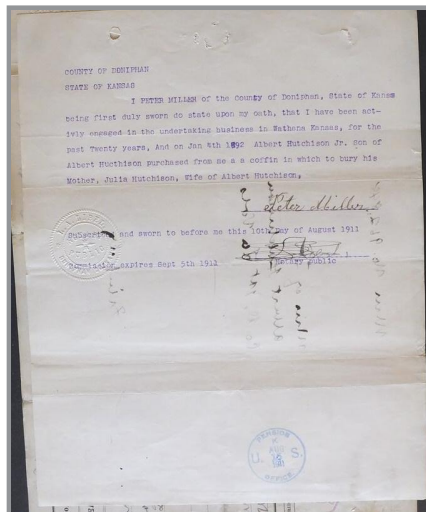


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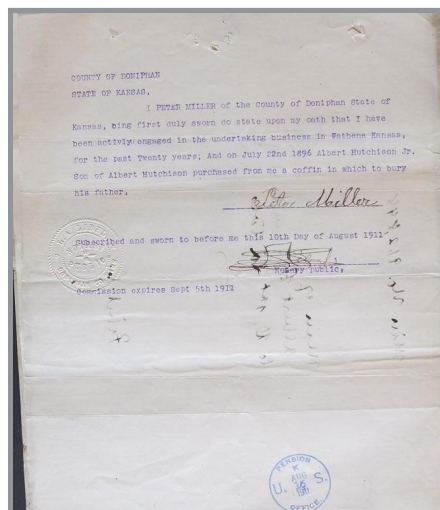
County of Doniphan
State of Kansas

I Peter Miller of the County of Doniphan State of
Kansas, being first duly sworn do state upon my oath that I have
been actively engaged in the undertaking business in Wathena Kansas,
for the past Twenty years; and on July 22nd 1896 Albert Hutchison Jr
Son of Albert Hutchison purchased from me a coffin in which to bury
his father

Peter Miller

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of August 1911
[?]
Notary Public

Commission expires Sept 5th 1911



Based on my experience, it is obvious that my request thru the mail did not return the entire file. Thankfully, I requested a digital copy thru American Civil War Ancestor! Otherwise, I doubt I would have ever found documentation for these deaths.

Pension Dropped

Tuesday, February 09, 2021

From the military and pension file of Albert Hutchinson.

3-405

(Pensioner Dropped)

Stamped Jul 20 1897

U. S. Pension Agency

Topeka, Kans.

May 31, 1897, 189

Hon. H. Clay Evans,

Commissioner of Pensions

Sir:

I hereby report that the name of *Albert Hutchinson*

Act June 27, 1890, who was a pensioner on the rolls

of this agency, under Certificate No. 689.511 and who was last paid

at \$ 12, to 4 May 1896, has been dropped

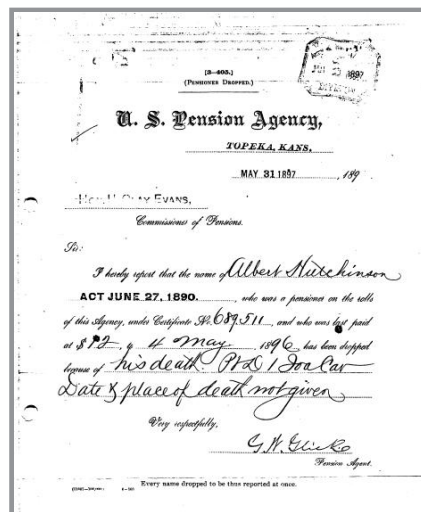
because of *his death. Pt D 1 loa Cav*

Date of place of death not given

Very respectfully,

G. W. Glickle

Pension agent



DNA Story

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

When I first had my DNA tested, much of the commercial emphasis was on ethnicity. You might even remember the Ancestry commercial where Kyle traded in his lederhosen for a kilt.

Contrary to that focus, I was more interested in connecting with cousins to help verify some of my research and to help break down some brick walls. Since most of my lines are colonial American, I have over 200 years to document before making a connection to my immigrant ancestors and to my ethnicity.

Thus, when ancestry developed their communities, I started paying attention. Although those communities supported my paper research, they were just additional information and not proof for a lineage.

After reading Ellen Thompson-Jennings recent post, Do You Have New AncestryDNA Communities? I got curious to see if I did have any new ones. When I looked at my DNA story, I had a new group, but I also believe that I have groups that disappeared.

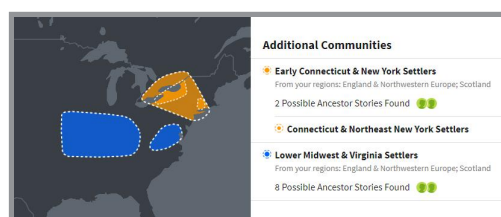
In looking back thru my blog at my DNA articles, I did not find any post documenting my communities. I found a few posts that made reference to either the community or my ethnicity.

- DNA Heritage and Challenge
- DNA Ethnicity
- Are We Irish (or Not)?
- Where's My Irish?

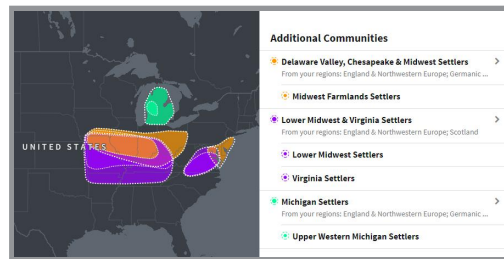
So, when I opened up my DNA results today, I was informed that I had a new community.



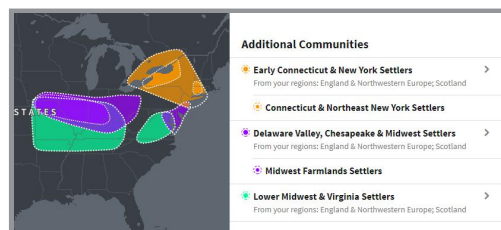
A look at the map of my communities, it shows two communities: the ORANGE area for Early Connecticut & New York Settlers and the BLUE area for Lower Midwest and Virginia settlers.



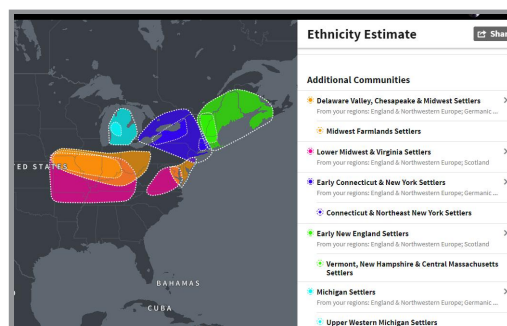
Since I have no idea what communities I had before, I feel like I need to start documenting the DNA story for the tests I manage. Besides my own DNA (shown above), I manage DNA kits for my two brothers and for my mother. Below are their DNA communities as identified in February 2021.



Brother 1 – DNA Communities – Feb. 2021



Brother 2 – DNA Communities – Feb 2021



Mom – DNA Communities – Feb 2021

My ancestors were in all of these communities. With the exception of the Michigan community, my dad's side of the tree would have been found in these same communities. In looking thru my tree and their migration path from the coast to Kansas, there is only one family line that does not fit these communities.

That family line is my BRILES line on my mom's side of the tree. My ancestor, Alexander Briles, brought his family to Kansas from Randolph County, North Carolina prior to the civil war. The BRILES line is in Randolph County for several generations prior to that. Alexander's great-grandfather, Conrad Broil. Conrad Broil, and his parents, Johannes Broyles and Ursula Ruop, arrived in Virginia in 1727 as members of the second Germanna colony. Based on this line, one would expect a community originating in Virginia and branching out to North Carolina and Tennessee.

My loyalist Harding line was in New York. However, these communities do not indicate

that this line went from New York to New Brunswick for about 70 years. From New Brunswick, my branch of the line migrated to Wisconsin and then to Iowa.

Although our ethnicity estimates aren't very helpful in this point of my research, I am going to document them here for future reference. Below are the estimates for February 2021 for all four tests.

Brother 1 Brother 2 Me Mom England & NW Europe 49% 41% 54% 47% Scotland 35% 38% 31% 23% Germanic Europe 6% 27% Ireland 4% 3% Spain 2% Wales 2% 12% 2% Norway 2% 5% 3% Sweden 8%

Hopefully some day this type of DNA information will help identify targeted research areas. For now, it is just maps and numbers. How about your communities and ethnicity data? Is it helpful to your genealogical research?

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, February 11, 2021

Today, I am pulling out some 'cousin' pictures. These are from grandma Briles' collection of photos. The colorized version of the photos were created using the tool on My Heritage.



Descendants Richmond Hammond

Friday, February 12, 2021

1. **Richmond Fisk Hammond**

b: 20 Nov 1840, Licking, Ohio, United States

d: 8 Apr 1928, Sawtelle, Los Angeles, California, United States

+ **Sarah Ellen Ralston**

b: 11 May 1849, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States

m: 1 Jan 1867, Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States

d: 18 Oct 1892, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... 11. **William R. R. Hammond**

b: 1 Jan 1864

..... 12. **Homer L. Hammond**

b: 25 Jul 1865

..... 13. **Judson F. E. Hammond**

b: 15 Apr 1866

..... 14. **Estella Mabel Hammond**

b: 6 Feb 1868, Illinois, United States

d: 20 Dec 1949, Sapulpa, Creek, Oklahoma, United States

..... + **William P. Root**

b: Jan 1864, Illinois, United States

m: 20 Mar 1889, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

d: 9 Sep 1924, Sapulpa, Creek, Oklahoma, United States

..... 15. **Forest Clinton Hammond**

b: 28 Nov 1868, Illinois, United States

d: 28 Oct 1905, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... 16. **Nellie Elida Hammond**

b: 23 Nov 1871, Illinois, United States

d: 11 Aug 1956, San Diego, San Diego, California, United States

..... + **Homer L. Bleecker**

m: 25 Dec 1889, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

d: 18 Jul 1934, Kansas, United States

..... 161. **Homer Glenn Bleecker**

b: 24 Sep 1890

d: 26 Nov 1948, California, United States

..... 162. **Nellie Gladys Bleecker**

b: 29 Aug 1892, Kansas, United States

d: 5 Oct 1940, Crown Point, Lake, Indiana, United States

..... 163. **Chester W. Bleecker**

b: 7 Jul 1894, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

d: 12 Nov 1948, Contra Costa, California, United States

..... 17. **Josie Winifred Hammond**

b: 9 Feb 1874, Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States

d: 27 Sep 1954, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... + **Judson Foster Crawford**

b: 15 Apr 1866, Warren, Indiana, United States
 m: 24 Dec 1890, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 19 Feb 1949, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 171. **Bernice Crawford**
 b: 4 Mar 1892, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 2 Aug 1959, Kelseyville, Lake, California, United States
 172. **Leon Russel Crawford**
 b: 6 Feb 1894, Newton, Harvey, Kansas, United States
 d: 3 Oct 1976, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 173. **Marion Richmond Crawford**
 b: 24 Oct 1895, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 29 Jun 1920, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 174. **Helen Marjorie Crawford**
 b: 30 Apr 1900, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 1 Nov 1971, El Paso, El Paso, Texas, United States
 175. **Hugh Judson Crawford**
 b: 16 Sep 1902, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 7 Aug 1987, Casa Grande, Pinal, Arizona, United States
 176. **Esther Stella Crawford**
 b: 6 Feb 1905, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 7 Jul 1987, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 177. **Lois Elida Crawford**
 b: 10 Nov 1909, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 18 Jan 1972, Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States

 18. **Glenn M Hammond**
 b: 4 Sep 1877
 d: 11 Feb 1878

 19. **Clyde Nelson Hammond**
 b: 11 Jun 1879, Union, Hardin, Iowa, United States
 d: 4 Dec 1960, Fort Dodge, Ford, Kansas, United States
 + **Minnie L. Connell**
 b: 9 Aug 1878
 m: 23 Nov 1901, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 3 Mar 1969, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 191. **Inez Hammond**
 b: 6 Jun 1903, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 30 Oct 1996, Idaho Falls, Bonneville, Idaho, United States
 192. **Agnes R. Hammond**
 b: 31 Dec 1907
 d: 3 Nov 1908, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 + **Mary McClure**
 b: 9 Oct 1857
 m: 7 Nov 1897, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 d: 14 Mar 1901, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 1A. **Hattie Louisa Hammond**
 b: Mar 1899, Kansas, United States
 d: 26 Sep 1994, Riverside, Riverside, California, United States
 + **Ralph E. Pate**
 b: 24 Apr 1892, Indiana, United States
 m: 2 Jun 1917, Orange, Orange, California, United States

d: 5 Jan 1977, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California, United States
 1A1. **Harvey Edgar Pate**
 b: 10 May 1918, California, United States
 d: 25 Jan 2001, Montclair, San Bernardino, California, United States
 1A2. **Marjorie L. Pate**
 b: 15 Jan 1922, California, United States
 d: 22 May 1983
 1A3. **Bettie Lucille Pate**
 b: 2 Jul 1925, California, United States
 d: 9 Feb 2009, Riverside, California, United States
 1A4. **Elna Shirley Pate**
 b: 16 Apr 1928, California, United States
 + **Mary A. Reynolds**
 m: 29 Oct 1906, Kinsley, Edwards, Kansas, United States

Ancestor Discovery

Saturday, February 13, 2021

Have you heard about Family Search's new feature called Ancestor Discovery Pages? I hadn't heard of them until yesterday when I saw a Facebook post urging people to 'google' an ancestor's name and check out the Family Search page.

So I did. I googled Judson Foster Crawford. The second site in the list had a familysearch.org URL. When I clicked on it I was thrilled at what I found.



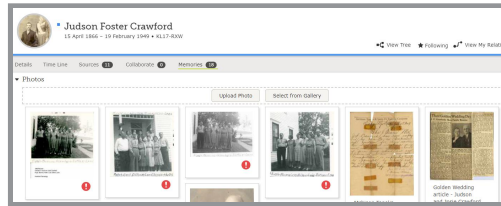
This page is loaded with a variety of information and links including

- a short biography.
- photos and memories.
- links to spouse and children.
- links to parents and siblings.
- a family time line.
- sources.
- meaning of the surname.
- a world events timeline.

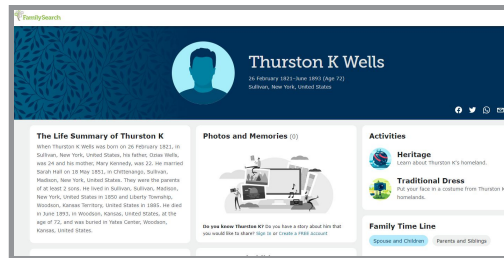
Since I hadn't heard of this new feature, I searched for some background information. In early January, the FamilySearch blog post, "New Ancestor Discovery Pages Provide a Rich, Engaging Family History Experience," introduced the pages. This blog post explains the various sections on the page. Toward the end of the post, details are provided on how to find an 'ancestry discovery page' for a particular ancestor.

- Google ancestor's name and significant dates and then look for a familysearch URL in the results
- add the ancestor's FamilySearch ID to the end of the URL "ancestors.familysearch.org/"
- Use the Browse Surname Directory site to navigate thru the alphabetical listing of ancestors in the FamilySearch tree

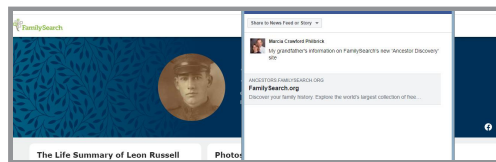
These Ancestor Discovery pages depend on the collaborative efforts to add information to each person's profile on the FamilySearch tree. In the example shown above, the photos and memories section is not blank because descendants were willing to upload their photos to the 'Memories' tab of a person's profile.



However, the 'Photos and Memories' section is blank when descendants have not uploaded any photos or other memories.



There are icons on the right side of the header that makes it easy to share an ancestor's page to Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, or an email message. There is also an icon to 'copy' the link.



Unfortunately, a Facebook post is pretty boring since it doesn't capture any of the page.



For me, these pages are a fantastic addition to the FamilySearch site! They will provide incentive for me to improve my contributions to the collaborative tree.

Valentine's Love

Saturday, February 13, 2021

It's Saturday and time again for Saturday Night Genealogy Fun! It is also the day before Valentine's day and there is a 'Valentine's Day Challenge' going around Facebook.

Mike and I met while attending Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia, Kansas. I'm not sure when we first met. It was sometime during our sophomore year when we were both chemistry lab assistants and also in a class together. We became engaged on Valentine's Day during our junior year and were married after graduation. We will be celebrating our 48th year of marriage this May.

So here's our Valentine's Day Challenge story

How'd we meet? chemistry class in college
First Date? I don't remember
How long have you been together? Engaged February 1973
Married? Yes – 47 years this May
Age Difference? 5 months
Who was interested first? Not sure
Who said 'I Love you' first? probably him
Most impatient? likely me
Most sensitive? not sure
Loudest? him
Most stubborn? likely equally stubborn in our own ways
Falls asleep first? Me
Cooks better? Both
Better morning person? Me
Better driver? Me of course (he is a good driver)
Most competitive? Neither
Who is the funniest? him
Who is more social? neither very social
Who is the neat freak? neither
Where was your first kiss? parents' front porch
How long did it take to get serious? don't remember
Plans date night? neither
Who picks where you go to dinner? Usually mutual discussion
Who is the first one to admit when they're wrong? Usually both admit errors
Who wears pants in relationship?
Who has more tattoos? Neither of us has a tattoo
Who sings better? not sure
Hogs the remote the most? Me — early in the evening
Spends the most? Me
Did you go to the same school? No – until college
Who drives when you are driving together? Share driving
Where is the farthest you have traveled together? West coast

Young Brides

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Last week, I re-looked at the 1920 census data across my tree. In the process of looking at that information, I was struck at how young my grandmother was, especially where she was a recent bride at the time. Thus, I decided this Valentines Day to look at the marriage ages of my 'grandmothers' in my tree.

Grandmothers:

- Winnie Letha Currey – married at age 16
- Pauline Edith Mentzer — married at age 19

Great Grandmothers:

- Josie Winifred Hammond – married at age 16
- Winnie Mae Hutchinson — married at age 20
- Frances Artlissa Ricketts – married at age 21
- Nettie Adell Wells – married at age 20

Great Great Grandmothers

- Mary Foster — married at age 17
- Sarah Ellen Ralston – married at age 17
- Angelina Jane Burke – married at age 19
- Julia Harding – married at age 19
- Sarah Jane Thompson – married at age 23
- Rachel Elmeda Christy – married at age 21
- Emeline Minnick – married at age 18
- Salome Adell Crandall – married at age 24

3rd Great Grandmothers

- Martha Smith – married at age 18
- Caroline Ostrander – married at age 18
- Louisa Fisk – married at age 18
- Nancy Jane McCormick – married at age 18
- Rachel Harris – unknown birth date
- Elizabeth Ann Bland – married at age 21
- Sarah Merry – unknown marriage date
- Elizabeth Fowler — married at age 26
- Sarah Rush – married at age 20
- Polly Ann Evans – married at age 21
- Orinda Matilda Reed – married at age 18
- Lyda Gallmore – married at age 17
- Orinda Miles – married at age 18
- Elizabeth Mary Jones – married at age 34
- Mary Kennedy – married at age 19
- Almira Nafus – unknown birth date

As I was compiling the above information, I wondered whether some of my 'grandmothers' could have had previous marriages since their marriage age seems a bit high. Thus, this information might be a clue for further research.

Alfalfa Mill

Sunday, February 14, 2021

I recently posted a photo from my grandmother's collection of an Alfalfa Mill to the Facebook group, Growing Up in Dodge City.



Since my grandparents lived in Dodge City their entire lives, I just assumed that the caption was correct. However, comments on the post questioned whether there was an alfalfa mill in Dodge City.

So, I turned to the newspapers to learn more about an alfalfa mill in Dodge City. I did verify that such a mill existed. Unfortunately, I haven't located information for the construction of the first mill. Below is a synopsis of what I found.

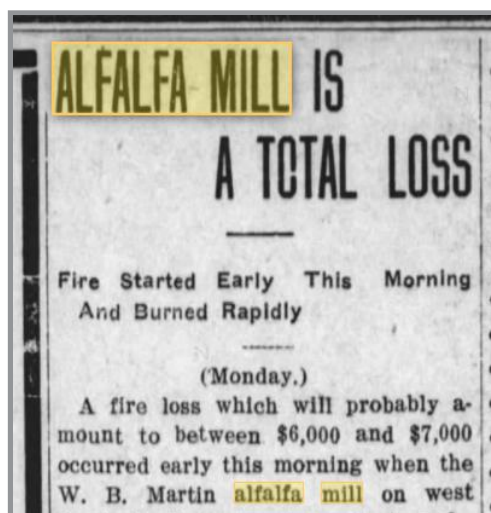
Feb 1911

Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 09 Feb 1911 Thu

The alfalfa mill will be opened again this week. It is a little unusual for the mill to be in operation at this time of year but the farmers held over much of their alfalfa for better prices and are now ready to place it on the market.

The Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 23 May 1912 Thu

May 1912



Alfalfa Mill Is a Total Loss

Fire Started Early This Morning and Burned Rapidly

(Monday)

A fire loss which will probably amount to between \$6,000 and \$7,000 occurred early this morning when the W. B. Martin alfalfa mill on west Santa Fe trail street was destroyed.

The building and its contents including machinery and supplies were burned, and no insurance was carried to relieve the owner of the loss.

The fire started between the main building and the shed and many believe it was the work of some incendiary, as there had been no workmen or others about the mill since Saturday evening.

The fire was discovered about 3 o'clock this morning and by four the building was in ashes. Besides a considerable amount of expensive machinery it contained several car loads of alfalfa and other food stuff.

The fire department was powerless to save the building as it was covered with flames before the fire was discovered, but the work of the department, saved quite a number of residences in the neighborhood

The residence of Frank Osburn on the east side of the mill was almost completely destroyed, and the one belonging to Archie T. Keech directly west of the mill was badly burned on one side, but no other buildings were damaged.

Sparks from the fire blew over nearly all of the town from the mill to the stand pipe on the Central Avenue hill, but most of the people of the town had been awakened by the siren whistle at the city power hose and watched their roofs.

W. B. Martin, the owner of the mill is spending the day in Garden City and he had not announced before his departure whether the mill would be rebuilt or not.

May 1912

The Dodge City Daily Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 24 May 1912



New Alfalfa Mill Is in Prospect

New Building May Go Up on the Site of the One Which Was Burned

It Would be Fire Proof

The New Mill Would Be a Cement Block Structure and Would Be Larger than the Old One — Some Are Protesting

Dodge City may soon have another alfalfa mill. It is possible that one will be built this season on the site of the mill which was burned last Monday morning on west Santa Fe Trail street.

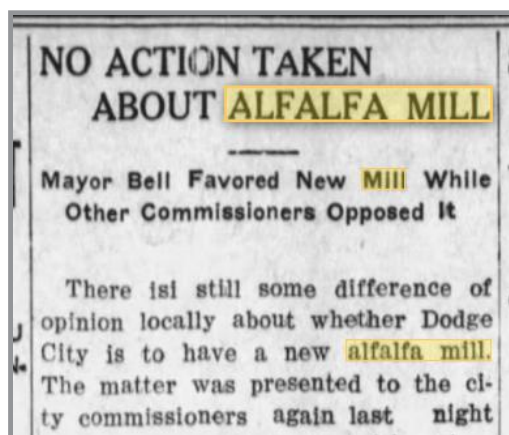
Manager W. B. Martin was talking about the matter this morning, and he said that contractors had been asked to make estimates on the kind of a building that would be required for the purpose.

If a new alfalfa mill is put up it will be a thoroughly fire proof building and will probably be larger than the old mill which was burned. Mr. Martin said today that since most of the debris had been removed it was found that much of the machinery had not been seriously damaged and that with a little overhauling it would easily be put into commission again.

It was stated this afternoon that W. P Kilesen of the Farmers' Elevator company was circulating a petition protesting against the rebuilding o the alfalfa mill but it is not known what objection is made to the enterprise.

June 1912

The Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 06 Jun 1912, Thu



No Action Taken about Alfalfa Mill

Mayor Bell Favored New Mill While Other Commissioners Opposed It

There is still some difference of opinion about whether Dodge City is to have a new alfalfa mill. The matter was presented to the city commissioners again last night and was supported by a petition signed by eighty-one business men of the city asking that the commission rescind its former action denying the company the privilege of putting up a fire proof mill on the site of the old one which was burned. Mayor Bell was in favor of allowing the mill to be rebuilt. Commissioners Miller and Laughead opposed it, but they took no action last night. They said they would consider the matter again at the meeting next Friday evening.

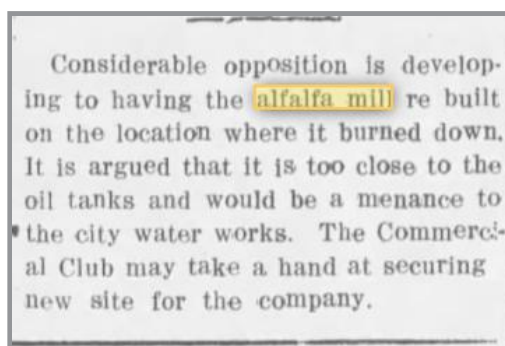
Manager W. B. Martin was there to represent the company and several of those who opposed the proposition for rebuilding the mill were there to speak to the commissioners.

In speaking to the intention of the company, Mr. Martin said:

"I am unable to tell what we will do. Evidently the city commissioners intend to oppose our putting in a mill here. The question is whether it would be better to go ahead anyhow and be the subject to all kinds of annoying orders, or abandon the field and put up a mill at some other point."

June 1912

The Dodge City Daily Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 15 Jun 1912, Sat

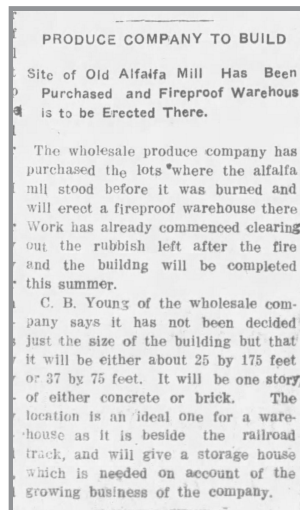


Considerable opposition is developing to having the alfalfa mill re built on the location where it burned down. It is argued that it is too close to the oil tanks and would be a

menace to the city water works. The Commercial Club may take a hand at securing new site for the company.

July 1912

The Dodge City Daily Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 20 Jul 1912 Sat



Produce Company to Build

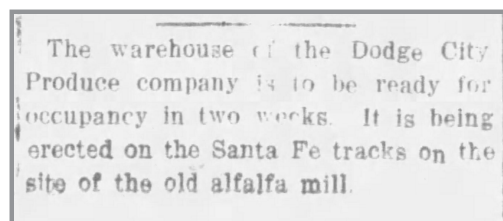
Site of Old Alfalfa Mill Has Been Purchased and Fireproof warehouse Is to Be Erected There

The wholesale produce company has purchased the lots where the alfalfa mill stood before it was burned and will erect a fireproof warehouse there. Work has already commenced clearing out the rubbish left after the fire and the building will be completed this summer.

C. B. Young of the wholesale company says it has not been decided just the size of the building but that it will be either about 25 by 175 feet or 37 by 75 feet It will be one story of either concrete or brick. The location is an ideal one for a warehouse as it is beside the railroad track and will give a storage house which is needed on account of the growing business of the company

October 1912

The Dodge City Daily Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 04 Oct 1912, Fri

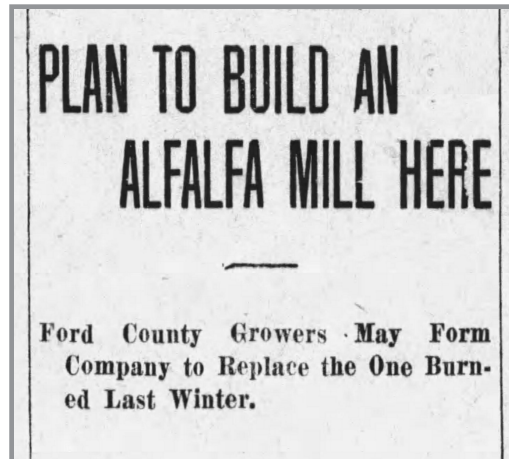


The warehouse of teh Dodge City Produce company is to be ready for occupancy in two

weeks. It is being erected on the Santa Fe tracks on the site of the old alfalfa mill.

November 1912

The Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 21 Nov 1912



Plan to Build an Alfalfa Mill Here

Ford County Growers May Form Company to Replace the One Burned Last Winter

Ford county growers of alfalfa are planning to build an alfalfa mill here to take the place of the one that burned last winter. A meeting of some of the leading alfalfa men was held last week to discuss plans for rebuilding. Will Martin, who owned the other mil, has been asked to take a part in the formation of a new company.

It is estimated that a new mill can be put in operation for form \$3,500 to \$5,00. Alfalfa growers say the mill tends to keep up the price of the hay by providing a steady market. Some growers say that \$8 alfalfa cannot be fed here profitably that the grower makes a greater and more certain profit by selling to the mill.

The alfalfa crop in this county this year has been exceptionally good, and the amount of hay produced has resulted in the agitation for a mill.

March 1913

The Dodge City Daily Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 12 Mar 1913



Build Larger Alfalfa Mill

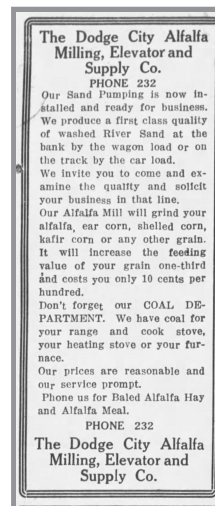
Contract Let by Dodge Company and Work Is to Start at Once

The alfalfa mill company has let the contract for the new mill and work is to start at once. Morley Bros., of Wichita, get the contract for the machinery and the shed for it. The latter is to be 16 by 24 feet and 24 feet high. A wetterhold grinder is to be installed, and electric power from the Midland company is to be used. Fairbanks A Morse received the contract to supply the motors.

A large hay barn is to be erected and a store room. Both buildings will be put up by the farmers who comprise the company. The plant is to be built on the Santa Fe spur near the Chris Behl tract, east of town. It will cost, complete, about \$4,30000 and will be considerably larger than the plant which burned down.

May 1916

The Dodge City Daily Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 26 May 1916, Fri



Golden Anniversary

Monday, February 15, 2021

As we have recently celebrated Valentine's Day, I thought I'd reshare one of the poems my great-grandmother, Josie Winifred Hammond wrote, titled "Our Golden Wedding."

Fifty years, 'tis a long look back
To that far off winter day,
When we started out, just a pair of kids.
Together to tread life's way
There were no airplanes or radios then
Automobiles were unheard of too
There wasn't a telephone in the town
And electric lights were few.
When we started housekeeping by ourselves
There wasn't much work to do,
For the house we had was very small,
And the table was set for two.
Then the babies started coming along,
And we worked early and late,
By the time we moved into a home we owned
The table was set for eight.
Then another girl happened along
But before she had a place of her own,
The oldest girl and the man of her choice
Had started another home.
Then two boys went away to war
And things were in an awful fix.
We worked for the Red Cross and sold liberty bonds
And the table was set for six.
Then the boys came home, but soon Cupid's darts
Drove a boy and a girl from the hive.
And death's cold hand took another boy
And the table was set for five.
Then a boy and a girl went away to school
A teacher and a nurse to be.
And now the table looks awfully small,
When its only set for three
The boy at school found a wee small girl
That he just must have for a wife
But the nurse still seems content
To live a single life.
Then the youngest girl met a farmer
And married as most girls do.
And we're right back where we started from
And the table is set for two.
But as the years have come and gone.
And good times or hard times we'd see
I've never grown tired of seeing
That same face across the table from me.

Josie kept a ledger containing poems and other writings about her family and her life in Dodge City, Kansas. Josie's ledger was transcribed and shared via the Kansas Collection.

Muster Roll

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

From Albert Hutchinson's Civil War Military File

Mustered In

H 1 Cav Iowa

Albert Hutchinson

Appears with rank of Pvt on

Muster and Descriptive Rolle of a Detachment of U.S. Vols. forwarded

for the 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry. Roll dated
Davenport Iowa, Sept. 30, 1862

Where born North Hampton New York

Age 25 years; occupation farmer

When enlisted Sept. 1 186_

Where enlisted Independence

For what period enlisted 3 years

Eyes Black; hair black

Complexion dark; height 5 ft 4 in

When mustered in - _ 186_

Where mustered in - _ 186_

Bounty Paid \$ _ 100; due \$ __ 100 Whee credited _____

Company to which assigned _

Valuation of horse, \$ _ 1- *Valuation of horse equipments, \$ __ 1000*

Remarks: Bounty \$25; Premium \$4

Bookmark General Notation, 2601 A, 1876

Easterling, Copyist

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| 26 | 1 Cav. Iowa. |
| <i>Albert Hutchinson</i> | |
| Appears with rank of <i>Pvt</i> on | |
| Muster and Descriptive Roll of a Detachment of U. S. Vols. forwarded | |
| for the <i>1</i> Reg't Iowa Cavalry. Roll dated | |
| <i>Davenport, Iowa, Sept. 30, 1862.</i> | |
| Where born <i>North Hampton New York</i> | |
| Age <i>25</i> years; occupation <i>Farmer</i> | |
| When enlisted <i>Sept. 1</i> , 186_ | |
| Where enlisted <i>Independence</i> | |
| For what period enlisted <i>3</i> years | |
| Eyes <i>black</i> ; hair <i>black</i> | |
| Complexion <i>dark</i> ; height <i>5 ft 4 in</i> | |
| When mustered in <i>Sept. 1</i> , 186_ | |
| Where mustered in <i>Independence</i> | |
| Bounty paid \$ <i>100</i> ; due \$ <i>100</i> | |
| Where credited _____ | |
| Company to which assigned _____ | |
| Valuation of horse, \$ <i>100</i> | |
| Valuation of horse equipments, \$ <i>100</i> | |
| Remarks <i>Bounty \$25; Premium \$4</i> | |
| Book marked Notation, 2601 A, 1876 | |
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| (339) | Copyist |

Supplies own horse

H 1 Cav. Iowa

Albert Hutchinson
 Pvt, Co. D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry
 Appears on
 Company Muster Roll
 for Jan. & Feb. 1863
 Present or absent Presents
 Stoppage, \$ _ **100** for __
 Due Gov't, \$ _ **100** for _
 Valuation of horse, \$ _ **100** *Valuation of horse equipments, \$ _ 100*
 Remarks: furnished horse
 & horse equipments
 since Jan 1/63.
 Equipments not
 paid for but charged
 on Dec'r rolls
 Book mark: __
 Lowmy
 Copyist
 (358)

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|---|--|--------------|--|
| H | | 1 Cav. Iowa. | |
| Albert Hutchinson | | | |
| Pvt, Co. D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry. | | | |
| Appears on | | | |
| Company Muster Roll | | | |
| for Jan. & Feb. 1863 | | | |
| Present or absent <i>Presents</i> | | | |
| Stoppage, \$ _ 100 for | | | |
| Due Gov't, \$ _ 100 for | | | |
| Valuation of horse, \$ _ 100 | | | |
| Valuation of horse equipments, \$ _ 100 | | | |
| Remarks: <i>Furnished horse</i> | | | |
| <i>& horse equipments</i> | | | |
| <i>since Jan 1/63</i> | | | |
| <i>Equipments not</i> | | | |
| <i>paid for but charged</i> | | | |
| <i>on Dec'r rolls.</i> | | | |
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Mustered Out

H 1 Cav Iowa
 Alberth Hutchinson
 Pvt, Co D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry
 age 25 years
 Appears on
 Detachment Muster-out Roll
 of the organization named above. Roll Dated
 Little Rock, Ark Mch 14 1864
 Muster out date Dec 31, 1863
 Last paid to Dec 31, 1863
 Clothing account:
 Last Settled , 186 ; drawn since \$ _ /100
 Due soldier \$ _ /100; due U.S. \$ _ /100

Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$ 36 37/100
 Due U.S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$ _ /100 *Bounty paid \$25 00/100; due /100*
 Valuation of horse, \$ _ /100 *Valuation of horse equipments, \$ _ /100*
 Remarks: Clothing account settled
 to Aug. 31, 1863. Clothing allowance
 due from Aug. 31, 63 Stop
 for one sabre knot, one [screw]
 covey
 Book Mark: _
 G W Davis
 Copyist

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|--|--|
| H 1 Cav. Iowa. | |
| Albert Hutchinson | |
| Pvt, Co D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry. | |
| Age 23 years. | |
| Appears on a | |
| Detachment Muster-out Roll | |
| of the organization named above. Roll dated | |
| Little Rock Ark, Mch 14, 1864 | |
| Muster-out to date | |
| Dec 31, 1863 | |
| Last paid to | |
| Dec 31, 1863 | |
| Clothing account: | |
| Last settled, 186 ; drawn since \$.....100 | |
| Due soldier \$.....100; due U. S. \$.....100 | |
| Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$ 36 37/100 | |
| Due U. S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$.....100 | |
| Bounty paid \$ 25 00/100; due \$.....100 | |
| Valuation of horse, \$.....100 | |
| Valuation of horse equipments, \$.....100 | |
| Remarks: Clothing account settled | |
| to Aug 31, 63. Clothing allowance | |
| due from Aug 31, 63. Stop | |
| for one Sabre Knot, one [screw] | |
| covey | |
| Book mark: | |
| G W Davis | |
| (149) Copyist. | |

Re-Enlisted

H 1 Cav. Iowa
 Albert Hutchinson
 Pvt, Co D, 1 reg't Iowa Cavalry.
 Appears on
 M. and D. Roll of Veteran Volunteers
 of the organization named above. Roll dated
 Little Rock Ark, Mch 14, 1864
 When enlisted Jan 1, 1864
 [to date from] re Enlistment
 When mustered in Mch 14, 1864
 Bounty paid \$ _ /100; *due \$ 60 00/100 Company to which assigned D Valuation of Horse,*
\$ /100
Valuation of horse equipments, \$ __ /100
 Remarks: \$13 advance pay & 2 00/
 premium due
 Residence. Independence
 Buchanan Co Iowa 3rd Dist
 Book Mark:
 Meding
 Copyist

H | *1* Cav. | *Iowa.*

Albert Hutchinson
Pvt., *Co. D*, *1* Reg't Iowa Cavalry.

Appears on
M. and D. Roll of Veteran Volunteers
of the organization named above. Roll dated
Roll here etc. *Feb. 14, 1864.*

When enlisted *June 1, 1864.*
When mustered in *Feb. 14, 1864.*

Bounty paid \$.....100; due \$.....*100*

Company to which assigned *D*

Valuation of horse, \$.....100

Valuation of horse equipments, \$.....100

Remarks: *3d Enstallment*
Present
Residence: Independence
Hutchinson C. Mo. 3rd Dist

Book mark: _____

(44) *Meding* Copy

Absent without Leave

H 1 Cav. Iowa

Albert Hutchinson

Pvt, Co. D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

for May & June 1864

Present or Absent Absent

Stoppage, \$ _ /100 for _

Due Gov't, \$ _/100 for

Valuation of horse, \$ /100 Valuation of horse equipments , \$ /100

Remarks: Vet Vol Third Enstall-

ment Bounty due absent

without leave since June

1786

Dismounted

Book mark: _

[Furman]

copyist

H 1 Cav. Iowa.
 Albert Hutchinson
 Pvt., Co. D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry.
 Appears on
 Company Muster Roll
 for May & June, 1864
 Present or absent Present
 Stoppage, \$ 100 for 100
 Due Gov't, \$ 100 for 100
 Valuation of horse, \$ 100
 Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100
 Remarks: Vet Vol. 3rd Install-ment bounty due
from Jun 18 to June 30th
64 by order of Gen B Fisk
64
 Book mark: 64
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Docked Pay for absence

H 1 Cav. Iowa
 Albert Hutchinson
 Pvt, Co. D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry
 Appears on
 Company Muster Roll
 for July & Aug 1864
 Present or absent Present
 Stoppage, \$ 100/100 for 100
 Due Gov't, \$ 100 for 100
 Valuation of horse, \$ 100?100
 Valuation of horse equipments, \$ 100/100
 Remakrs: Vet Vol. 3rd Install-ment bounty due [Slot] for
 absence without leave
 from Juen 18 to June 30th
 64 by order of Gen B Fisk
 Book mark: 64
 [Furman]
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H | **1 Cav. | Iowa.**

Albert Hutchinson
Pvt. Co. D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry.

Appears on
Company Muster Roll
 for *June 30, 1866*, 186*6*.
 Present or absent *Present*
 Stoppage, \$ *100* for *100*
 Due Gov't, \$ *100* for *100*

Valuation of horse, \$ *100*
 Valuation of horse equipments, \$ *100*
 Remarks: *He had 2nd Reg't Iowa Cavalry
 as a recruit. He was
 discharged at the
 expiration of his term
 of service. He was
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 expiration of his term
 of service.*

Book mark: *885-B-188 (over)*

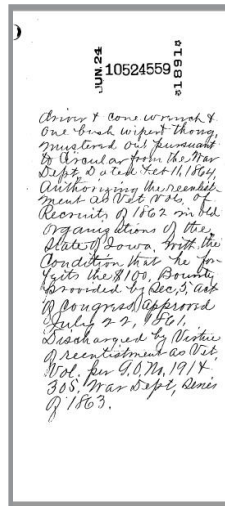
(186) *June 30* 1866

Mustered Out

H 1 Cav. Iowa
 Albert Hutchinson
 Pvt, Co. D, 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry
 age 27 years
 Appears on Co. Muster-out Roll, dated
 Austin Tex, Feb 15, 1866
 Muster out date Feb 15, 1866
 Last paid to June 30, 1865
 Clothing account
 Last settled , 186 ; drawn since \$ /100
 Due Soldier \$1 10/100; due U.S. \$ /100
 am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$ /100
 Due U.S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$ 14 48/100
 Bounty paid \$ 200 00/100; Due \$ 140 00/100
 Valuation of horse, \$ _ /100
 Valuation of horse equipments, \$ _ /100
 Remarks: Joined as a recruit
 as within state. Reenlisted
 as a veteran Jan 17 64
 arms retained per G.O.
 no 101 series of 1866
 Book mark: 885-B-188 (over)
 S W Williams
 copyist

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| 1 Cav. Iowa. | |
| Albert Hutchinson. | |
| Co. | 1 Reg't Iowa Cavalry. |
| Age 27 years. | |
| Appears on Co. Muster-out Roll, dated | August 15, 1866. |
| Muster-out to date | Feb 13, 1866. |
| Last paid to | June 30, 1865. |
| Clothing account: | |
| Last settled, 186 | ; drawn since \$.....100 |
| Due soldier \$ 1 1/2 | ; due U. S. \$.....100 |
| Am't for cloth'g in kind or money adv'd \$.....100 | |
| Due U. S. for arms, equipments, &c., \$ 100 | |
| Bounty paid \$ 100 | ; due \$ 100 |
| Valuation of horse, \$.....100 | |
| Valuation of horse equipments, \$.....100 | |
| Remarks: <i>Reenlisted as a Private</i> | |
| <i>for service at Fort. Bennett</i> | |
| <i>and returned June 17, 1866</i> | |
| <i>and was reenlisted as a Private</i> | |
| <i>and served at Fort. (over)</i> | |
| Book mark: 815-2-1866 | |
| J. M. Williams | |

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Dept. of 1864 to 1864.
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Receipts of 1862 in the
organization of the
State of Iowa. With the
condition that the book
be the 1864, Receipts
be provided by Dec. 31st
of 1864, and the
book be 1864.
Discharged by the
President of the War
Dept. of 1864, 1914.
of 1863.

Pondering

Wednesday, February 17, 2021

I recently wrote a blog post, Proving Death, based on two documents that I found in a military and pension file for an ancestor. As I was writing that post, I kept thinking about the fact that I have this folder full of images that will likely get lost when I no longer work on my family history. In addition, I have a lot of family photos going back generations.

Not wanting these documents or family photos to hit the recycle bin, I've been pondering where I could put them so others could also benefit from these photos and documents.

Since I have been sharing my work online for quite some time, my experience is causing me to question whether my current methods of sharing will be accessible in the future. Thus, I've been considering adding my photos and documents as memories on the FamilySearch collaborative tree. I was leaning toward putting the photos, etc. on FamilySearch since it is freely accessible. I also think it is the one site that will work to migrate these memories into the future as technology changes.

This decision to use FamilySearch as a way to share the family photos was finalized when I saw their Ancestor Discovery pages.



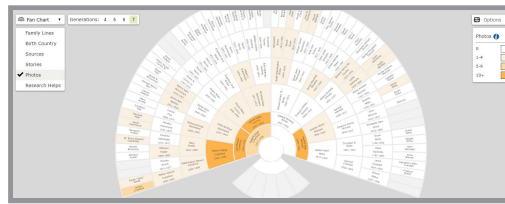
These pages are easily sharable and put the family information in a format that non-genealogist will understand. The thumbnails of the memories provide a glimpse into the attached memories. Viewers can easily access all of the memories from this page. (Note: users will need to login to a free FamilySearch account.)

So, I have started uploading more memories. I want to start with items that are buried in my notebooks and files that others may not have. This will include

- Family Photos
- Audio files of interviews
- Birth, Marriage and Death certificates
- Military and pension records
- Homestead documents
- Deeds
- Wills and probate records

Yes, I have money invested in some of these documents. However, if an archive does not accept my genealogy files due to lack of space or funds to handle, then these same documents are the most likely items to hit a trash can.

Based on the Fan Chart colored to show the quantity of photos attached, it is obvious that I have my work cut out for me.



Throwback Thursday

Thursday, February 18, 2021

Today, I am pulling pictures of my dad and grandparents from my Dodge City collection of photos.



Winnie and Leon Crawford

- Eugene Crawford and his little brother, LR

Facebook Memories

Friday, February 19, 2021

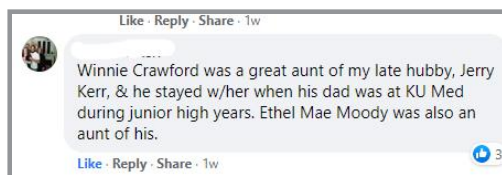
Does your hometown have a Facebook group for sharing memories? One of my favorite groups is 'Growing Up in Dodge City'. The posts cover a wide range of topics from cowboy history to high school memories. Even though I moved away while in junior high, I have had extended family living in Dodge City until the present.

I often share stories and photos with this Facebook group. In late January, I shared a picture of my grandmother and a group of other Dodge City women who were members of the 'Old Timers' Club.



Top Row: ? – Winnie Crawford – ? – Elna Paulon – Lena Tucker – Bertie Bro / 2nd Row: Ida Tester Sister – ? – Dora Jones – De Ette Zimmer – Florence Sullivan / 3rd row: Nina Dellar – Edna Williams – Ida Olive – Ethel Moody – Gertie Falkner – Cora Wood & L.R.

I expected discussion about the other women in the photo. However, I did not expect the personal comments from my second cousins.





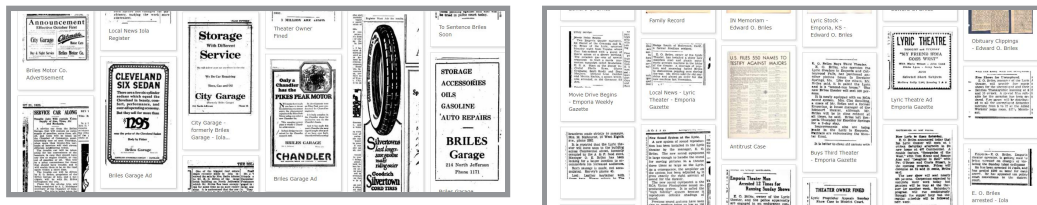
I am so thankful to have these memories!

The Dash

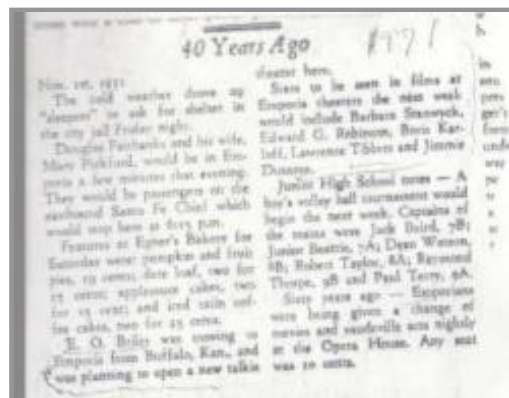
Saturday, February 20, 2021

Do you try to find details about an ancestor's life for the time between their birth and their death, i.e. the dash? Census records help fill in that 'dash' since they put a person in a specific place at a specific time. However, I've found that gossipy newspapers also help fill in that 'dash'.

The value of newspapers was brought home when I uploaded images to FamilySearch for my grandfather, Edward Osmund Briles.



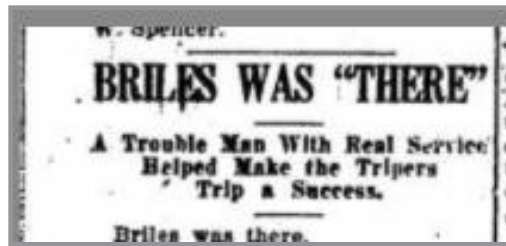
It was a '40 Years Ago' clipping that my grandmother kept that provided a major clue to my grandfather's life.



That clipping led me to articles and court records about the time my grandfather defied the law to show movies on Sundays. My grandfather was arrested and convicted for that 'crime'.



It was while researching newspapers in the communities where my grandfather lived prior to Emporia that I learned that he owned Briles Garage. Not only did he own a garage but he was part of a 'Grand Tour' in the early days of the automobile.



All of these findings reinforced my previous experiences with newspapers – pay attention to those local news items. One never knows what they will uncover for the dash.

Timelines

Sunday, February 21, 2021

Today's Saturday Night Genealogy Fun challenge from Genea-Musing's Randy Seaver involves timelines.

1) Do you use Timelines to help you in your research? Create a Timeline (a chronological list with dates and events) for one of your ancestors that includes their parents, siblings, spouse(s) and children. Tell us how you did it, and show us your work.

This timing of this challenge is perfect! I'm currently trying to figure out whether Howard Hutchinson who drowned in the Missouri River in 1905 is part of my Albert Hutchinson family. If his age is reported correctly, this Howard Hutchinson was born in 1881. Since this is a difficult time period to find records showing family relationships, I need a timeline to help figure out where the members of the family were living between 1890 and 1905.

I tried using the timeline report from RootsMagic.

| Timeline for Albert Hutchinson | | 20 February 2021 |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------|
| Age | Date Event | |
| 0 | Abt 1818 Birth, Northampton, Fulton County, New York. ^{1,2} | |
| 12 | 27 Sep 1830 Residence: Albert Hutchinson was listed as a 14 year old male born New York on the 1830 New York census. He was living in the house of Ephraim Finch, a 53 year old farmer and his wife Cynthia. Wheatland, Monroe, New York, United States. ³ | |
| 21 | 14 Sep 1839 Marriage: Julia Harding, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States. ^{4,5} | |
| 22 | 26 Jun 1840 Residence: Albert Hutchinson was listed on the 1840 Iowa census as a 24 year old farmer born in New York. Albert was the head of the household. Also living in the household was 20 year old Julia Hutchinson, 16 year old Isabelle Harding and 36 year old Loren Gilbert. Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States. ^{6,7} | |
| 24 | 30 Sep 1842 Military: Albert Hutchinson enlisted as a private in Company D of the 1st Regiment of the Iowa Cavalry Volunteers commanded by Captain John L. Iowa, United States. ^{8,9} | |
| 25 | 31 Dec 1843 Military: was mustered out of Company D, 1st Regiment of the Iowa Cavalry; Little Rock, Pulaski, Arkansas, United States. ¹⁰ | |
| 26 | 1 Jan 1844 Military: Little Rock, Pulaski, Arkansas, United States. ¹¹ | |
| 14 Mar 1844 | Military: was mustered in as a private in Iowa First Cavalry Company D; Sumner Township, Buchanan County Iowa. ^{12,13} | |
| 26 | Jun 1844 Military: had 24 months' bounty due withheld for being absent without leave from June 18, 1844 to June 30th, 1844. ¹⁴ | |
| 28 | 15 Feb 1846 Military: the military; Austin, Travis, Texas, United States. ¹⁵ | |
| 31 | 7 Dec 1849 Land: Purchased being W 4 acres of E 6 1/2 acres N 1/2 SW NE S29 T91 R13; Bremer, Bremer, Iowa, United States. ¹⁶ | |
| 32 | Jul 1870 Residence: AB Hutchinson was listed on the 1870 census in Jackson Township, Bremer County, Iowa as a 52 year old farmer who was born in New Brunswick. Also living in the household was 27 year old Julia Hutchinson, 15 year old Gertrude Hutchinson, 8 year old Alice Hutchinson, 6 year old Miller Hutchinson, 3 year old Frederick Hutchinson and 1 year old Cary Hutchinson. ¹⁷ | |
| 33 | 10 Jun 1871 Land: K&L being the NW 1/4 acres of the East 6 1/2 A N 1/2 SW 1/4 NE 1/4 S29 T91 R13; Bremer, Bremer, Iowa, United States. ¹⁸ | |
| 42 | 2 Jun 1880 Residence: A Hutchinson was listed as a 60 year old farmer born in New York on the 1880 census living in Douglas Township, Mitchell County, Iowa. Also listed in the household was a 40 year old wife, Julia Hutchinson, a 15 year old son, William Hutchinson, a 9 year old daughter, Wilma Hutchinson, a 7 year old daughter, Elmore Hutchinson, a 4 year old son, Guy Hutchinson, and a 10 month old son, Frances Hutchinson. Douglas Township, Mitchell, Iowa, United States. ¹⁹ | |
| 47 | Jul 1883 Residence: Albert Hutchinson was listed on the 1883 Iowa census as a 65 year old male farmer. He was listed as having been born in New York. According to the census, Albert resided in the SE 1/4 NE 1/4 section 36, township 91, range 14. Also listed in the household were 44 year old Julia Hutchinson, 21 year old Albert Hutchinson, 20 year old William Hutchinson, 14 year old Wilma Hutchinson, 11 year old Gertrude Hutchinson, 8 year old Frank Hutchinson, 5 year old Leola Hutchinson and 1 year old Elma Hutchinson. Jackson Township, Bremer, Iowa, United States. ²⁰ | |
| 52 | 1890 Residence: Albert Hutchinson was listed on the 1890 census schedule living in Fishing River Township, Clay County, Missouri as a veteran of Company D 1st Iowa Cavalry having served 1 year 1 month and 24 days. Fishing River Township, Clay, Missouri, United States. ²¹ | |
| 52 | 16 Aug 1890 Pension: ²² | |
| 55 | 8 Aug 1893 Marriage: Florence Eliza Van Vleetberg, Saint Joseph, Buchanan, Missouri, United States. ^{23,24,25} | |
| 57 | Jul 1895 Residence: Alfr Hutchinson was listed on the 1895 Douglas County, Kansas census as a 67 year old white male born New York who was honorably discharged from service in Iowa Company D Regiment 1. Alfr's birthplace was given as New York. According to the census, Alfr moved to | |

This report is too wordy for this particular task – especially when I add the children and spouses of Albert Hutchinson. Thus, I turned to a spreadsheet. Since my goal is to determine who was living where at a particular time, I limited the information I entered to those events that place a person in a particular community. I then color coded each of the children and his second wife. Once I had the data entered, I sorted the data by date and then by location.

| Year | Surname | GivenName | Event | State | County | Township | SpouseSurname | SpouseGiven |
|------|-----------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1886 | Hutchinson | Albert G (son) | Marriage | MO | Buchanan | | Baker | Mary |
| 1887 | Hutchinson | Albert G (son) | residence | MO | Buchanan | | | |
| 1888 | Hutchinson | William Henry | Marriage | KS | Doniphan | Hall | | Mary |
| 1889 | Hutchinson | Albert G (son) | Land | KS | Doniphan | | | |
| 1890 | Hutchinson | Albert | Census | MO | Clay | | | |
| 1890 | Hutchinson | Eliza | Marriage | MO | Clay | Northern | Zacharia | |
| 1891 | Hutchinson | Winnie | Marriage | MO | Jackson | Kansas City | Currey | Hiram |
| 1892 | Harding | Julia | Death | KS | Doniphan | | | |
| 1893 | Hutchinson | Albert | Marriage | MO | Buchanan | St. Joseph | | |
| 1893 | Van Valkenburgh | Norrene Eliza | Marriage | MO | Buchanan | St. Joseph | | |
| 1894 | Hutchinson | Albert G (son) | Land | KS | Doniphan | | | |
| 1895 | Layer | Johan Georg | Census | IA | Mitchell | Osage | Hutchinson | Gertrude |
| 1895 | Hutchinson | Albert | Census | KS | Doniphan | Elwood | | |
| 1895 | Hutchinson | Albert G (son) | Census | KS | Doniphan | Burr Oak Township | | |
| 1895 | Hutchinson | Eliza | Census | KS | Doniphan | Elwood | | |
| 1895 | Hutchinson | Elmer | Birth | KS | Doniphan | | | |
| 1896 | Hutchinson | Albert | Death | KS | Doniphan | | | |
| 1898 | Hutchinson | Eliza | Marriage | MO | Buchanan | St. Joseph | King | Samuel |
| 1900 | Layer | Johan Georg | Census | IA | Mitchell | Osage | Hutchinson | Gertrude |
| 1900 | Currey | Hiram | Census | KS | Leavenworth | Delaware Town | Hutchinson | Winnie |
| 1900 | Hutchinson | Albert G (son) | Census | MO | Buchanan | St. Joseph | | |
| 1900 | King | Eliza | Marriage | MO | Buchanan | St. Joseph | McColgin | John |
| 1900 | Northern | Zacharia | Census | MO | Clay | Fishing River | Hutchinson | Elmore |
| 1900 | Hutchinson | William Henry | Census | MO | Platte | Weston | | |
| 1903 | Hutchinson | William Henry | Land | KS | Doniphan | | | |
| 1905 | Currey | Hiram | Census | KS | Leavenworth | LANING | Hutchinson | Winnie |
| 1905 | Hutchinson | Albert G (son) | Directory | MO | Buchanan | St. Joseph | | |
| 1906 | McColgin | Eliza | Marriage | MO | Buchanan | St. Joseph | Phay | Osceola |

This spreadsheet proved what I subconsciously knew about this family: they lived on both sides of the Missouri River between Kansas City and St. Joseph, Missouri. It also provides hints of where to look for a 1900 census record for Howard Hutchinson or for a death notice outside of St. Joseph, Missouri for Howard Hutchinson.

Thank you Randy for challenging me to actually get this spreadsheet created.

Over 19,000

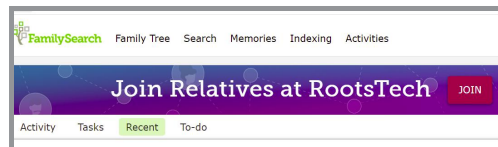
Sunday, February 21, 2021

Have you attended RootsTech? I've never had the privilege of attending RootsTech, but I have been a 'Not at RootsTech' participant. This year, everyone will be a 'Not at RootsTech' participant by attending the virtual RootsTech Connect.

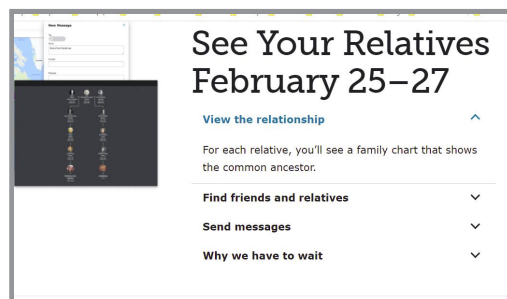
For those who were able to attend last year, they could use the "Relatives around Me" task on the FamilySearch app. This year, we can all take advantage of this technology.



To get to the screen informing me I have over 19,000 relatives who will be attending RootsTech, I simply clicked on the red 'Join' button at the top of the FamilySearch screen after I logged in.



I have to wait until Feb. 25th when RootsTech starts, but then I will be able to see how I am related to these other attendees.



This is just an added benefit of RootsTech. If you aren't registered to attend, you might want to register.

- Register for RootsTech Connect
- Keynote Speakers
- Review the Sessions
- Follow #RootsTechConnect on Twitter

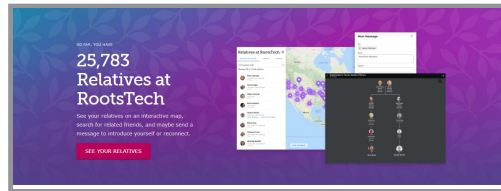
- Prepare for RootsTech Connect by Dear Myrtle – includes instructions on how to sign up for Relatives at RootsTech

It will be interesting to see what happens with all of these relatives! Join me so we can see if we are related.

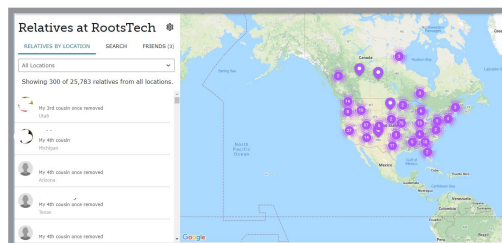
Addendum:

The Site is LIVE!

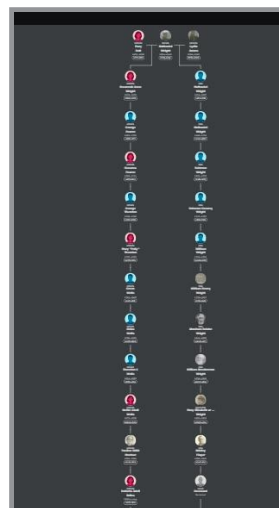
There is a 'See Relatives' button that takes you to your relatives.



The 'Relatives at RootsTech' page has a list of relatives on the left with a map of where those relatives reside toward the right side of the page.



Of my over 25,000 relatives, I currently only have about 15 4th cousins or closer. The rest are 5th cousins or greater. Curious as to whether I am related to any of the 'big' names in genealogy, I did a search for DearMyrtle, Pat Richley-Erickson and found that we are 11th cousins. My connection is thru my WELLS line.



These results are similar to those on the old 'We're Related' app: they depend on both parties having an accurate tree. So, I'll admit right now: I don't have my tree back that far! I have documentation back 6 to 7 generations.

So, for most of my numerous 'relatives', my tree doesn't go back far enough to prove distant cousin relationships. Sorry! But it is fun to see who I might be related to!

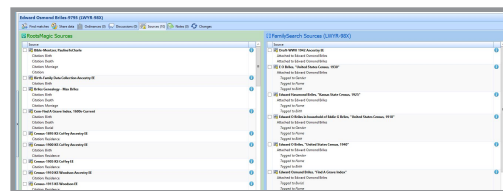
Sources Struggle

Monday, February 22, 2021

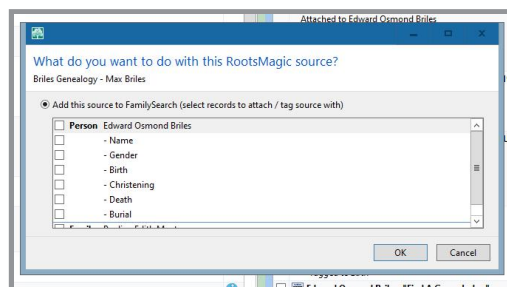
Do you struggle adding sources to the FamilySearch tree or is it just me? I'm not a member of their church and have only been using the FamilySearch website, including the tree, for about five years. Thus, I am still learning.

With the recently released Ancestor Discovery pages, I want to use those pages as one way to share my family history. Even though a casual viewer won't be interested in the sources, other researchers will. So, I need to get past the struggle and figure out how I can get my sources onto FamilySearch.

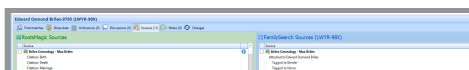
Since I'm a RootsMagic user, I tried using the interface between RootsMagic and FamilySearch to upload these sources.



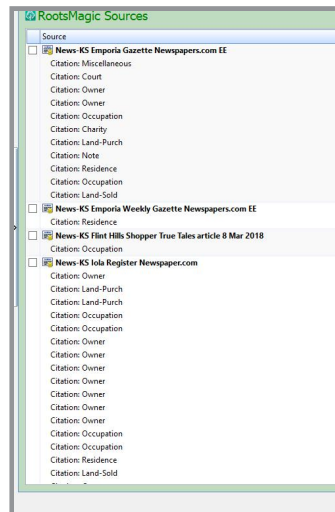
This is where my struggle begins. On this interface, I have a hard time figuring out whether one of my sources on the left is already on FamilySearch on the right. Once I manage to figure out a source that has yet to be added to FamilySearch, the window that opens up is the next challenge.



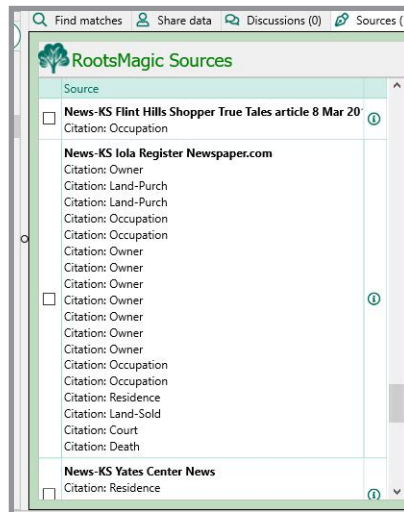
Since my sources could be attached to a variety of facts/events beyond the basics of birth, marriage and death, I don't know what I'm expected to check. Then comes the 'reason' to attach, which I also struggle with. Once completed, the source now appears in the FamilySearch list on the RootsMagic interface.



In trying to figure out how I enter sources in RootsMatic impacts this interface, I noticed that the name of the source is how the source is listed in the RootsMagic list and how it is listed on FamilySearch once transferred. I also discovered that my 'lumping' tendency hinders my ability to upload sources.



Instead of individual sources for each article in a newspaper, all of the articles from that newspaper are lumped together. Curious about how the way RootsMagic 8 uses citations, I wondered if RootsMagic 8 would lump the sources in the same way. When I looked at RootsMagic 8, the list of sources appeared to be the same.



Since one of my dad's first cousins is active on the FamilySearch tree, I decided to see if I could learn anything from the sources she has added.

| Ralph Eugene Maden 1908-1976 • LZ4Z-8NJ | | |
|---|-----------|--|
| Details | Time Line | Sources 0 Collaborate 0 Memories 1 |
| | 1976 | Ralph Eugene Maden, "Find A Grave Index" View Source |
| | 1910 | Ralph Maden in household of Almo Maden, "United States Census, 1910" View Source |
| | 1920 | Ralph E Maden in household of Almond C Maden, "United States Census, 1920" View Source |
| | 1930 | Ralph E Maden, "United States Census, 1930" View Source <div>This source has not been attached to all people found in the record. Learn More</div> |
| | 1976 | Ralph Maden, "United States Social Security Death Index" View Source |
| | 1940 | Ralph E Maden, "United States Census, 1940" View Source |

Studying sources she added as well as sources added by others, I noticed a pattern:

Name as listed in record followed by an abbreviated name of the record

The other thing I noticed was the date associated with each source. When I switched back to my grandfather's sources page, I found that the date is not listed for some of the sources I transferred, while it is listed for other sources I transferred.

| Sources | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Detail View | + Add Source | Options |
| Date | Title | |
| + Add | Briles Genealogy - Max Briles View Source | |
| 1895 | Osman Briles in household of John Bell, "Kansas State Census, 1895" View Source | <div>This source has not been attached to all people found in the record. Learn More</div> |
| + Add | Edward Hassmond Briles, "Kansas State Census, 1925" View Source | |

Thus, I don't think the RootsMagic interface is the best way for me to transfer the sources in my file. So my other option is to use the 'Add Sources' page.

| Sources | |
|---|---|
| Event Date [?] | Source Title (Required) [?] |
| Enter a date | Example: England, Death Certificate of Hugh S. Smith - (1832-1912) |
| Web Page Link to the Record [?] | |
| <input type="radio"/> WEB PAGE URL Example: http://www.us2000census.com/census_online.htm | <input type="radio"/> ADD A MEMOIR |
| Where the Record is Found (Optional) [?] | |
| Example: UK Census, 1841, Edinburgh, Perth, Scotland; Population schedule; Dwelling address; National archive; Digital image | |
| Describe the Record (Optional) [?] | |
| Example: Hugh S. Smith Family Page 7, Lines 23-27, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK Census 1841 Father: Robert Smith, Mother: Helen Strachan, Children: Hugh Sidney Smith, Robert Smith. | |
| Reason to Attach Source [?] | |
| Explain why you are attaching this source. | |
| Select the Information or Events in this Source | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Name <input type="checkbox"/> Sex | <input type="checkbox"/> Birth <input type="checkbox"/> Christening <input type="checkbox"/> Death <input type="checkbox"/> Burial |

Using this screen to add a source allows me to add the transcription and add the media.

Using the add source screen would be easiest to use at the same time I'm creating the source in RootsMagic.

This is also how I will need to add all of my newspaper sources. Thus, I likely need to work with a report for the individual that includes the Endnotes to figure out which sources need added and reference back to the citation on RootsMagic so I can copy it to FamilySearch.

Using the 'Add Sources' screen will take longer to get my existing sources attached to my ancestors on the tree, but I understand that process. Thus, it will be less of a struggle.

Marriage Affidavit

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Affidavit of Henry Harding regarding marriages of Albert Hutchinson. (Note: Henry Harding was the brother of Julia Harding, first wife of Albert Hutchinson.)

Notice — The civil officer before whom I is affidavit is executed should be careful to fill in all spaces both in the caption and jurat.

General Affidavit

State of Nebraska, County of Richardson, as:

In the matter of Claim of Elmer E Hutchinson

On this 4th day of September, A.D. 1911 personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the aforesaid County and State, duly authorized to administer oaths Henry Harding aged 65 years a resident of Rulo, in the County of Richardson and State of Nebraska whose Post Office address is Rulo Nebraska and Edward Linle, aged 64 years, a resident of Rulo Nebraska, in the County, Richardson whose Post Office address is Rulo Nebraska well known to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to the aforesaid case as follows: We wer well and intimately acquainted with Albert J Hutchinson knew hime before he arrived at a marriageable age and we know and affirm that he was not married prior to his marriage to his first wife Julia our acquaintance with him was such that had such been the case we would have know it we also know and affirm that the said Albert Hutchinson did not remarry after the death of his first wife Julia until he was married to Eliza Valkenburg on the 8th day of August 1893

they further declare that they have no interest in said case and ___ not concerned in its posecution.

Henry Harding

Edward Linkle

Sources Struggle Part 2

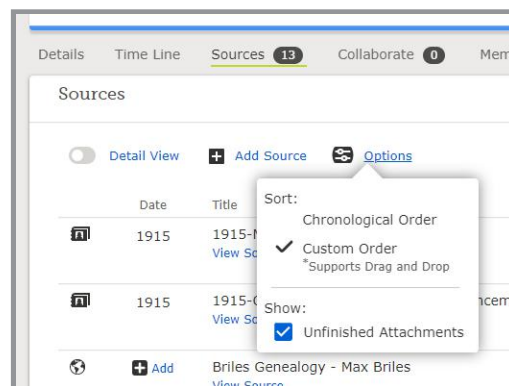
Wednesday, February 24, 2021

Have you ever wished for an 'easy' button when working on your genealogy? Well, I found a "button" that makes my struggle to add sources to someone on the FamilySearch tree easier.

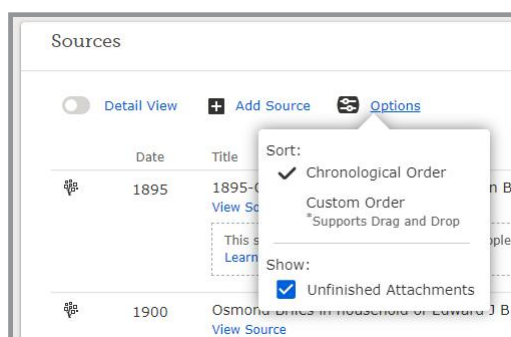
One of my struggles is what appears to be a lack of order to the source listing.



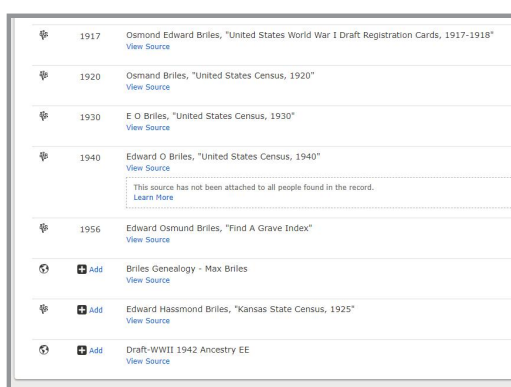
While starting to add sources for my grandfather, I was curious about what the options button did. So I clicked on it.



That's when I discovered the option to put the sources in chronological order.



Using this option, the sources are now in timeline order. However, sources that don't have dates appear at the bottom of the list of sources.



If I click on the title of the source, the source expands and shows the various actions, including 'edit'.



Clicking on the blue 'Edit', the source expands. I can see that the date field is empty.

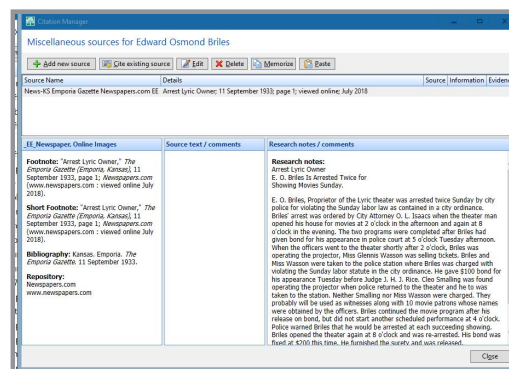


When I enter the date (1942 for above source) and click save, the source is now appears in chronological order.

| | |
|------|--|
| 1920 | Osmond Briles, "United States Census, 1920" |
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| 1942 | Draft-WWII 1942 Ancestry EE |
| 1956 | Edward Osmund Briles, "Find A Grave Index" |

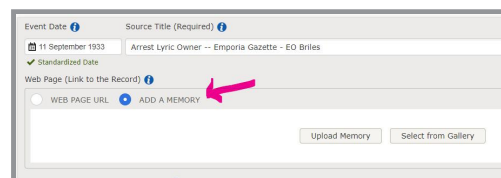
Now that I have the sources on FamilySearch in chronological order, I can scroll thru the 'Edit Person' screen on RootsMagic to locate facts in RootsMagic that don't have a source on Family Search. (Note: I use two screens which makes this comparison much easier. I put RootsMagic on the left screen and FamilySearch on the right screen.)

With my grandfather, the newspaper articles and advertisements tell a story about his life not found in other records. Thus, the need to add them to FamilySearch. One of those sources is from a 1933 edition of the Emporia Gazette. Not only do I have the citation in RootsMagic, but I also have a transcription of the article.



On FamilySearch, I click on the blue 'Add Source' link. In this window, I add the date and create my title for the source. Then I copy the footnote from RootsMagic into the 'Where the Record Is Found' box. Since I have a transcription in the details window of RootsMagic, I copy that and paste it into the 'Describe the Record (Notes)' box. Clicking save will add this source to the list of sources.

When I have an image for the source, I can click on 'Add a Memory' to get to the options to either upload a memory or to select one from the gallery.



Once the source is saved with the attached memory, an icon that looks like a photo will appear in the left column.



When I click on 'view source' a thumbnail of the attached image (memory) is shown.

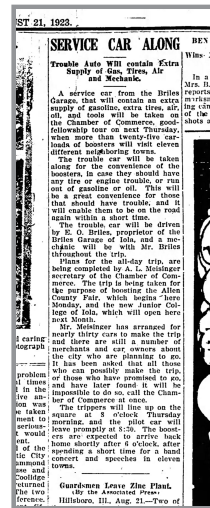


Working with the two sets of information (RootsMagic and FamilySearch) side by side helps me see what sources are already attached and which events don't have a source attached. The ability to copy/paste the footnote and the detail (transcription) from RootsMagic into the FamilySearch fields makes it easy to add the sources. Finding that option to sort the sources in chronological order was the key!

Road Trip

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

My grandfather, Edward Osmund Briles, had a very interesting life story. Since he died when I was four, I never heard him tell his story. Instead, newspaper articles are telling his story. One of those articles referenced him driving a service call for a 'good fellowship' tour.



Service Car Along Trouble Auto Will Contain Extra Supply of Gas, Tires, Air and Mechanic

A service car from the Briles Garage, that will contain an extra supply of gasoline, extra tires, air, oil, and tools will be taken on the Chamber of Commerce, good fellowship tour on next Thursday, when more than twenty-five carloads of boosters will visit eleven different neighboring towns.

The trouble car will be taken along for the convenience of the boosters, in case they should have any tire or engine trouble, or run out of gasoline or oil. This will be a great convenience for those that should have trouble, and it will enable them to be on the road again within a short time.

The trouble car will be driven by E. O. Briles proprietor of the Briles Garage of Iola, and a mechanic will be with Mr. Briles throughout the trip.

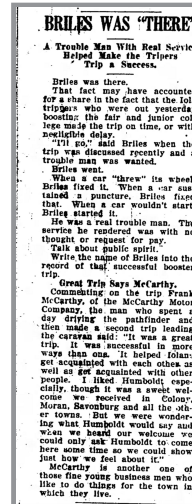
Plans for the all-day trip, are being completed by A. L. Meisinger secretary of the chamber of Commerce. The trip is being taken for the purpose of boosting the Allen County Fair, which begins here Monday, and the new Junior College of Iola, which will open here next month.

Mr. Meisinger has arranged for nearly thirty cars to make the trip and there are still a number of merchants and car owners about the city who are planning to go. It has been asked that all those who can possibly make the trip, or those who have promised to go, and have later found it will be impossible to do so, call the Chamber of Commerce at once.

The trippers will line up on the square at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, and the pilot car will leave promptly at 8:30. The boosters are expected to arrive back home shortly after 6 o'clock, after spending a short time for a band concert and speeches in eleven towns.

"Service Car Along," *Iola Register (Iola, Kansas)*, 21 August 1923, pg 6; Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online January 2017).

Curious about what else I could find about this road trip, I did a search of Newspapers.com for entries dated in August 1923 in Kansas with the keyword, Briles. That search helped me find the article, "Briles Was 'There'" in the 24 Aug 1923 issue of the Iola Register.



Briles Was "There"

A Trouble Man with Real Service
Helped Make the Trippers
Trip a Success

Briles was there.

That fact may have accounted for a share in the fact that the Iola trippers who were out yesterday boasting the fair and junior college made the trip on time, or with negligible delay.

"I'll go," said Briles when the trip was discussed recently and a trouble man was wanted.

Briles went.

When a car "threw" its wheel, Briles fixed it. When a car sustained a puncture, Briles fixed that. When a car wouldn't start, Briles started it.

He was a real trouble man. The service he rendered was with no thought or request for pay.

Talk about public spirit.

Write the name of Briles into the record of that successful booster trip.

Great Trip Say McCarthy

Commenting on the trip Frank McCarthy of the McCarthy Motor Company, the man who spent a day driving the pathfinder and then made a second trip leading the caravan said: "It was a great trip. It was successful in more ways than one. It helped Iolans get acquainted with each other as well as get acquainted with other people. I liked Humboldt especially, though it was a sweet welcome we received in Colony, Moran Savonburg and all the other towns. But we were wondering what Humboldt would say and when we heard our welcome we could only ask Humboldt to come here some time so we could

show just how we feel about it.

McCarthy is another one of those fine young business men who like to do things for the town in which they live.

"Briles Was "There"," *The Iola Register (Iola, Kansas)*, 24 August 1923, page 8; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 17 February 2021).

A search for the term 'Trippers' turned up the front page article about the trip.

Trippers Had A
Successful Trip

Large Crowds Met the Iola
Boosters

Who Cared for Dust?

Dirt Didn't Bother Iolans
In the Least

Speakers told of the Allen County
Fair and of the New Iola
Junior College

It was a dusty and dirty, but never-the-less a happy and good natured group of Iola Boosters who arrived in Iola shortly after 6 o'clock last night, after completing nearly one hundred and twenty-five miles of driving and after visiting eleven different towns during the day.

The Goodfellowship tour of the Chamber of Commerce, that was made by seventy-three Iola folks yesterday in the interest of the Allen County Fair and the New Junior College at Iola, was very successful from every standpoint.

The trippers found good crowds waiting in the towns that were visited and they listened with interest at the short band program that was given in each city by the Rotary Boys Band, and to the speeches that were made boosting the Fair and Collège. There was not an accident on the entire route, and there was very little car trouble.

Through Clouds of Dust

The roads throughout the entire distance that was traveled were in excellent condition, but there was not a road that was not dusty. Clouds of dust rolled up after the first cars in the long line passed along the dirt roads, and every one on the trip was covered with dirt as the end of the journey neared.

But who cared for the dust? The Iola trippers did not, and they enjoyed every minute while on the trip, enjoyed the drive, and were more than pleased with the large crowds that were awaiting to receive them at practically every city that was visited.

The schedule that had been arranged for the Boosters, the time for them to arrive in the towns and depart, was carried out throughout the trip, and they were never more than ten minutes late in arriving in the towns.

The Rotary Boys Band, under the direction of their leader, Mr. J. V. Roberts, made a good impression upon their listeners in all the towns where they played a few selections. There were twenty pieces in the Boys band, and they were dressed in their new bright uniforms which were recently furnished by the Iola Rotary Club.

Talks at Each Town

At every town visited, two speeches were given, one in the interest of the new Junior

College, and the other to boost for the Allen County Fair, which will open at Riverside park next Monday, and will continue for five days. Mr. A. M. Thoroman, superintendent of the city schools gave the talk on the Junior College, while Frank McCarthy, told the people in the towns visited of the Allen County Fair and gave reasons why it was "Bigger and Better than Ever." this year.

At Moran, Yates center, and Humboldt, the lola trippers were met before they arrived in those cities by the mayors and leading business men, who escorted the line of cars to their cities. At Moran, the Boosters found ice cold lemonade awaiting for them, and they were given cigars and chewing gum at Savonburg.

The towns visited yesterday included eleven cities near lola in all four directions. The trippers drove first to Piqua where a short stop of fifteen minutes was made, and from there they drove to Yates Center. At Yates Center the lolans were well received and were given a rousing welcome. After leaving Yates Center, the next stop was Neosho Falls, where another good sized crowd had gathered to listen tot he band and hear the speakers. Colony was the next town on the schedule and a stop of more than one hour was made here, for a short program and to allow the visitors to take dinner. Lone Elm was then visited, followed by Mildred and Moran. At Moran many people had gathered on the streets to receive their visitors. Elsmore, Savonburg and Humboldt followed in the order named, with another good sized crowd waiting at Humboldt when lola arrived.

The Chamber of commerce road committee worked hard to make the Booster trip this year a success; and they have received much praise for their good work and well made plans. The committee desires tot hank all the lola men who made the trip and for their splendid co-operation.

List of Trippers

The lola people who went on the Booster Trip yesterday were:

Lloyd Young, L.E. Horville, J. F. Eastwood, Arthur Shannon, I. Q. Marsh, r. Trowbridge, W. F. Alterman, Fred McKenna, L. O. [smeared ink]

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R. Brown, K. P. Baughman, John V. Roberts, B. C. Lamb, J.W. Reynolds, Mayor Smith, W. A. Wheeler, T. H. Bowlus, Will King, Vern Moyer, R. L. Thompson, Frank McCarty, Robert Evans, Arch Wood, W. E. Rundall, Ray Enfield, E. O. Briles, W. A. Tinner, Mr. Russell, A. R. Sleeper, A L. Dygard, Ed Irving, Jos D Cos, Logan Hunsaker, A. W. Beck, Ira D. Kelley, W. B. Kelley, B. A. Sutton, Bernice Higgins, Vernon Dugan, A. Stewart, E. Van Hyning, Charles Greason. L. E. Burgess, A. L. Meisinger, A. M. Thoroman and Rev. E. W. Spencer.

"Trippers Had a Successful Trip," *The lola Register (lola, Kansas)*, 24 August 1923, pages 1 and 8; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 17 February 2021).

As these articles show, my grandfather had an interesting life.

Cousin Connections

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

Are you going to RootsTech Connect? (If not, register here for lots of free genealogy sessions.)

If so, did you register for Relatives at RootsTech? (If not,

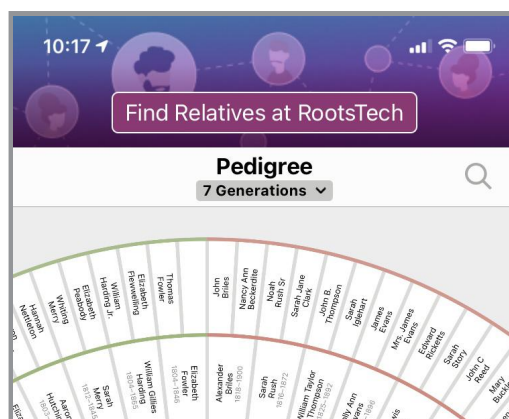
- register here – <https://FamilySearch.org/connect>
- Create or login to your FamilySearch account
- Create a family tree by adding yourself and close ancestors (2-3 generations) to the FamilySearch tree
- Search the tree for ancestors and connect to them
- Increasing generational connections will increase likelihood of finding Relatives at RootsTech

When I first wrote about Relatives at RootsTech in my Over 19,000 blog, most of the relatives listed for me were very distant. Thus, I didn't plan to do much with this information.

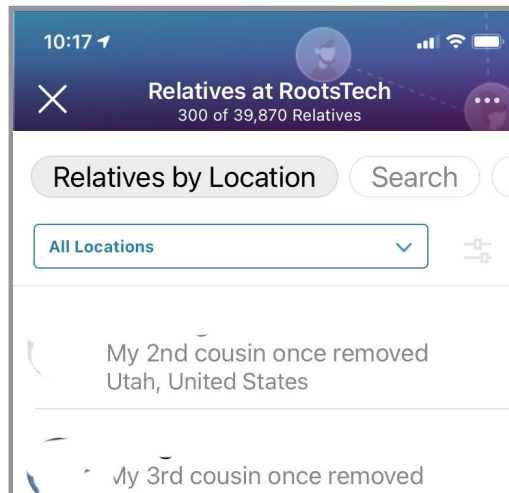
However, when I logged in today, I found someone who descends from my great aunt, Bernice Crawford. Since Bernice and her family moved from Kansas to California, connections with the Dodge City family were infrequent. Thus, I'm thrilled to be able to make this connection.

When I made the cousin discovery this morning, I also discovered a setting that makes this even more useful for me. To access this setting, you will need the FamilySearch Tree app (on a smart phone or tablet).

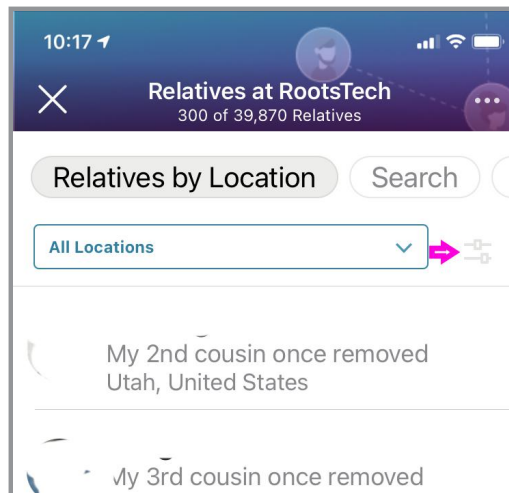
After opening the app and logging in, you should see the Find Relatives at RootsTech box at the top of the screen.



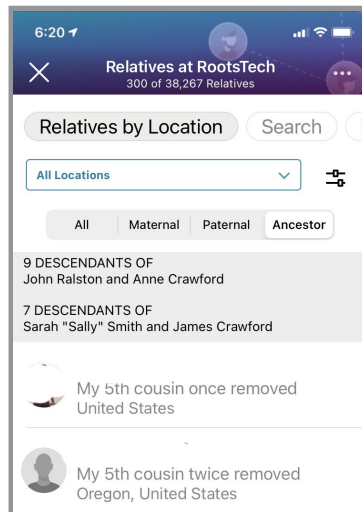
Tapping on that box, will open your list of relatives.



This morning, I discovered the icon to the right of the 'All Locations' drop down box. This icon looks like two lines with boxes.



When I tapped that icon, I had options to see my list of relatives in four different ways: All, Maternal, Paternal and Ancestor. Then I selected 'Ancestor' my list was sorted by common ancestor.



I find this view VERY helpful – especially when it comes to my brick walls. Now I can see 'relatives' who descend from James Crawford without having to look at each person to see how we are related.

My next step is to create a generic message that I can copy/paste to contact some of these relatives. This message will include

- Our common ancestor
- Link to my grandparent line for that ancestor in the FamilySearch tree
- Link to my Ancestry tree
- Link to my RootsMagic online tree
- Link to my blog
- Statement regarding my willingness to upload photos or sources to the FamilySearch tree that they may not have
- My contact information

Now, I need to get to work and make connection with these relatives.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, February 25, 2021

More pictures of my grandfather and family friends in Dodge City. I'm guessing these were taken in the 1930s, possibly between 1933 and 1935.

Friends



Pinochle Gang



Boot Hill

Friday, February 26, 2021



Dodge City

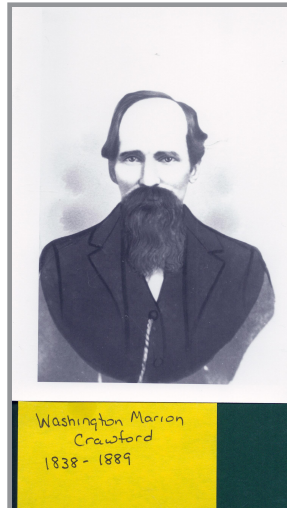
“Cowboy Capital of the World”

“Queen of the Cowntowns”

For anyone interested in cowboys or the old west cattle drives a trip to the Boot Hill Museum in Dodge City, Kansas is a ‘must see’ destination. Housed in a replica of ‘Front Street’, Boot Hill offers a combination of history and entertainment, complete with gunfights and shows at the Long Branch Saloon.

As a genealogist, Boot Hill has proven to be a source of information about my family. As a child, I remember a photograph or postcard that was on display in the building at the top of the hill. This photo was taken of early Dodge City from the Boot Hill area looking toward downtown. My memory says that the house my grandparents lived in was in that photo. Later, while touring the displays housed in the ‘Front Street’ buildings I discovered a minute book for the Ford County Agricultural Society that just happened to be opened to a page mentioning my great great grandfather, Richmond Fisk Hammond.

On a trip to Dodge to visit my grandmother, she encouraged me to visit Boot Hill to see if they had any photographs. Thinking I might find the photo from my childhood memory, I went. Even though I didn’t locate that photo, I did come away with a marvelous find: the only known photo of my great great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford.



In addition to obtaining his picture, I found a group picture that included my great grandfather, Judson Crawford and another group picture containing Judson's brother, Nelson Crawford.

If you want to find an unusual source for genealogical information, it would be Boot Hill for me. I never imagined that I would find these photos at Boot Hill. I am thankful that they are preserving the early history of Dodge City.

Power

Saturday, February 27, 2021

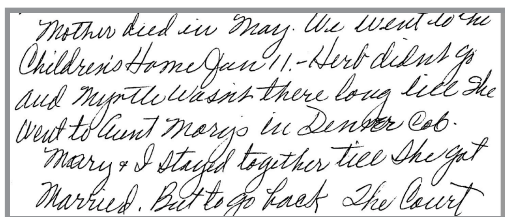
When you think of your family dynamics, who has the power? Looking into the future, I would say it is my niece that has the power to keep her generation of the family together. Looking back, I would have to credit my grandmother, Winnie Letha Currey Crawford, with being the force of power in the family.

When Winnie was ten years old, her mother died. The family had recently moved to Olathe, Kansas from Rooks County, Kansas. Her father may have been a teamster at the time. The family included

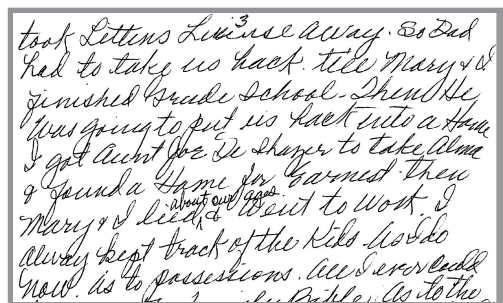
- Herbert, age 18
- Myrtle, age 14
- Mary, age 12
- Winnie, age 10
- Ernest, age 7
- Alma, age 1

My grandmother wrote about what happened to the family after her mother's death in one of her letters. The dates are off, but I believe the story of what happened to the family is correct.

Mother died in May. We went to the Children's Home Jun 11. Herb didn't go and Myrtle wasn't there long till she went to Aunt Mary's in Denver Col. Mary and I stayed together till she got married. But to go back The Court took Littens License away. So Dad had to take us back till Mary & I finished grade school. Then He was going to put us back into a Home. I got Aunt Joe De Shazer to take Alma and found a Home for Earnest – then Mary and I lied about our ages & went to Work. I alway kept track of the kids As I do now



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Most of the details of this story remain unproven. I did find Alma Jean Curry in a DeShazer household on the 1920 census living in Franklin County, Kansas. By 1925, Alma was living with her father in Gray County, Kansas. Gray County borders Ford County, where Myrtle and Winnie were living in 1925.

In terms of the children's home, I did find an entry for Rev. Charles Litten in the 1913 directory for Kansas City. According to this entry, he was the 'sec and genl mgr Conserving Assn of America' at 2610 Cleveland in Kansas City, Missouri. (See blog post, U – Unknown Genealogy / PhotoADay)

The Aunt Mary mentioned in the letter is likely Mary Currey Spears. Unfortunately, I can't

place Mary and her husband John in Denver, Colorado. By 1920, Mary and her husband were living in Los Angeles, California. At this time, I don't have a census record or city directory for them between 1900 and 1920.

According to another letter, my grandmother traveled from the Kansas City area to Dodge City to help her sister, Myrtle with her new baby. Based on the above letter, that means that Winnie was in the Kansas City area until her sister, Mary was married. All of this does fit a timeline for these events in the sister's lives.

- Myrtle married in Dodge City at the age of 18 in March of 1917
- Myrtle's first child is born in Dodge City in Feb 1918
- Mary married in Kansas City at the age of 17 in Feb 1919
- Winnie is married in Dodge City at the age of 16 in December 1919

Whether I prove the details in the letter or not, I do believe that my grandmother and at least some of her siblings were in a children's home after the death of their mother. I believe my grandmother's strong sense of family was forged during this time of her life.

RootsTech Connect 2021

Sunday, February 28, 2021

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) Did you attend the free and virtual RootsTech Connect 2021 this week? What was your favorite moment, experience, session, and/or feature?

Well, let's say I tried to attend RootsTech 2021. That is before I had a Thursday afternoon appointment and ended up under the weather on Friday.

In my limited viewing, I

- created my playlist of sessions to watch.
- checked out many of the exhibitors in the Expo Hall Wednesday evening.
- watched the Main Stage opening session on Thursday morning.
- left the Main Stage to watch a presentation by the Library of Virginia.
- forgot that the sessions were on YouTube and finally realized that I was watching older genealogy presentations when YouTube just kept going after the Library of Virginia presentation.
- watched several of the FamilySearch sessions on Saturday.

But, my favorite moment has to be using Relatives at RootsTech. Yes, the concept of 88,907 relatives is beyond comprehension. But the app of my phone took about the top 300 of those and sorted them by common ancestor! Using that feature, I now have a spreadsheet of those contacts with their user name, relationship, and the common ancestors. On Wednesday, I sent a message to quite a few of those ancestors. Since my list has changed from Wednesday, I could make more connections.

So, why is this my favorite part?

One of those relatives is the great grandson of my great aunt. I haven't heard back from him yet — but I'm going to keep trying to make a connection. Hoping that he is active on FamilySearch, I uploaded the pictures that I have of his great-grandmother to the tree.

Another of the relatives is a descendant of my 3rd great grandfather, Ozias Wells. When I got a response from this relative, I went digging in my files to locate the photocopy of the Wells family Bible. Even though most of the Wells family, including her branch, stayed in Michigan, the Bible found its way to Kansas. I've also uploaded this resource to the tree.

But the best part was seeing all of my 5th cousin descendants of my brick wall ancestor, James Crawford.



So, I have a full to-do list: watch all of the sessions on my playlist and work on connecting with these cousins!

Thank you RootsTech for this opportunity!

Ham Crawford Connection

Monday, March 01, 2021

A few weeks ago, the following comment was posted on my 'About' page.

Hello, I'm a descendant of Joseph B. Ham and Dolly Crawford of Madison County KY. Married in 1795. I am at a brick wall trying to find Dolly's ancestry. All I have is that she listed her mother as Molly on the marriage record. I can't find any Molly in Madison County KY at this time. Only the Mary that you write of who based on her marriage and timeline seems to be too young. Any help is appreciated.

I do have Dolly Crawford and Joseph Ham in my database. According to the book, Madison County Kentucky Marriage Records Vol. 1 1786-1822 by Bill and Kathy Vockery, they were married in Madison County in 1795.

Since I don't have any other information on this couple, I decided to see what tax records for Madison County might reveal. Since I've already used these records for my CRAWFORD research, I was primarily looking for the HAM surname. However, when I found Joseph Ham, I also located known Crawford family members and associates in that year's tax record.

Madison County Kentucky
Tax Books, 1787-1874

Tax Books, 1787-1797, 1799-1807
FamilySearch Film 8126 DGS 7834478

1787
Image 15 – 'H'
Nil Ham

Image 30
Nil Ham

Image 40 – 'H'
Ham Wm Wm Ham – 0 – 1 – 0 – 6 – 18

Image 55 0 1788

Image 65 – 'H'

Image 73 – 1789

Image 77
Ham William 1-1-? – 11 – left at 10/

Image 82 – 'H'
NIL

Image 90
Mary Crawford

No Ham

Image 99 – 1790

Image 103 – ‘H’

Nil Ham

Image 111 – 1791

Image 115 – ‘H’

Ham, William – 1 white- 1 Black > 16- “ – 5 horses – Stud 15

Image 124 – ‘H’

NIL – Ham

Image 129 – 1792

Image 134 – ‘H’

Hamm Drury – 1 – blank – blank – blank – 6 – 6

Image 141 – ‘H’

NIL Ham

Image 150 – ‘H’

Ham, William – 2 (or possibly 7) white > 21- dash white above 16 – 3 total blacks – 2 blacks > 16 -7 horses – 30 cattle- – – 100 Acres of Land- 1 stud – 6 rate

Image 157 – 1793

Image 163 – ‘H’

Ham Wm – 1 – dash – 4 – 2 – 8 – 31 – 100

Image 170 – 1794

Image 176 – ‘H’ – faded

William Ham may be on this page

May be another Ham toward bottom of page – can’t decipher first name

Image 187 – ‘H’ starts

Image 198 – ‘H’

NIL Ham

Image 206 – 1795

Image 214 – ‘H’

Nil Ham

Image 227 – H

Ham William Madison County Silver Cr 100 acres

Do do do 150 acres

Do Mason Lee Cr 1400

Image 239 – H

Image 259 – H

Ham William – 1 white over 21 – . – 5 total blacks – 3 blacks under 16 – 5 [H H] Colts & Mulres – 33 Cattle

Ham Drury – 1 white over 21 – . White over 16 under 21 – 1 total blacks – 1 blacks under 16 – 5 [H H] Colts & Mules – 8 Cattle

Image 266 – 1796

Image 271 – Edward Crawford

Image 277 – H

Ham Joseph – 1 male over 21 – 2 horses – 2 cattle (no land listed)

Ham Drury 116 – Paint Lick Madison from Elijah Kritly 1white >21 -. Above 16 under 21 –
. Black above 16- 1 total blacks – 5 horses mares – 5 cattle

Image 278

Ham William – 300 acres – Silver C – Madin – G Clay & Hancock -1 white male > 21- .
white males > 16 – 2 blacks > 16 – 5 total blacks – 5 horses – 33 cattle

Image 310 – H

Image 333 – Crawfords (James, William and sons) — NO Rebecca or Mary Crawford

Image 334 – Duggins / Dooley

Image 337 – H

Image 340 – Alexander Moore (Mary Crawford's husband)

Image 353 – 1797

Image 360 – H

Image 382 – H

Image 406

Crawford Edwd

Image 410 – H

Image 412

Ham Drury – 116 acres Paint L Madn C Elijah Kurtley – 1 male > 21 – 1 total black – 6
horses

Ham William – 450 acres – Silver C Madn C – Green C Hancock – 1 male > 21, 1 male
16-21, 1 black > 16, 4 total blacks – 7 horses

Do – 700 acres – Lees Creek – Mason C – Wm Tomlin

Even though tax records do not prove relationship, they can provide some clues.

- William Ham is the first Ham family member shown on the tax list
- William Ham owned at least two parcels of land: one on Silver Creek in Madison County and one on Lees Creek in Mason County
- Drury Ham appeared on the tax list in 1792 with no land suggesting a possible relationship between William Ham and Drury Ham
- Joseph Ham appeared on the tax list in 1796 in the same assessment district as Drury Ham and William Ham also suggesting a relationship between Joseph Ham and William Ham
- In 1796, the three Ham households were not in the same assessment district as the Crawford families I've been researching suggesting that these two family groups did not live near each other. [My Crawford research involves William Crawford, James Crawford (wife Rebecca Anderson), James Crawford (wife Martha Knight), James Crawford (wife Sally Duggins), Mary Crawford (husband James Sellers), Sally Crawford (husband William Sellers), widow Mary Crawford and widow Rebekah Crawford.]
- There is an Edward Crawford in the same assessment district as the HAM families. [I don't know much about this Crawford family.]

So, back to the question. Could Dolly Crawford be the daughter of Mary Crawford? Could Dolly Crawford be a sibling to my James Crawford? Yes, that is possible, but I will have to do more digging to find a connection between the two families.

Could Dolly Crawford be a sibling of the James Crawford who married Martha Knight. This is very doubtful. James and Martha were married in Lincoln County. James' suspected siblings, Mary and Sally, were also married in Lincoln County.

Could Dolly Crawford be a daughter of James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford. Again

this is doubtful. None of my research of this family has any records connecting the Crawford and Ham families.

Could Dolly Crawford be a daughter of William and Elizabeth Crawford. This is possible but doubtful.

Based on the tax records, I would look for a connection between Dolly Crawford and the Edward Crawford on the 1796 tax list.

Curious as to what others have concluded about Dolly Crawford, I looked at trees on Ancestry and FamilySearch. The FamilySearch tree has a Dolly Crawford [LLHZ-852] married to Joseph Ham [M76X-C5Z]. Dolly is shown as the daughter of Alexander Crawford and Molly Burris. However, there are no sources attached to Dolly, Alexander or Molly. Ancestry has over 200 trees for Dolly Crawford and Joseph Ham. I have not looked at all of them, but I looked at several that indicated they had multiple sources attached to Dolly. Those 'multiple sources' turned out to be multiple other Ancestry trees.

Thus, more information (documentation) is needed for the Joseph Ham family. To attack this problem, I would

- Thoroughly research all of their children.
- Locate land records for William and Drury Ham to see if they provide a clue to family relationships.
- Identify locations where Joseph Ham resided.
- Locate land records for Joseph Ham.
- Search for county histories or family genealogies that have information on the Ham family.
- Keep an open mind. The trees may all be wrong.

Death Affidavit

Tuesday, March 02, 2021

I recently wrote the blog post, Proving Death, about finding affidavits in the complete pension file for Albert Hutchinson that documented the deaths of both Albert Hutchinson and his first wife, Julia. While working with this file, I found another document that states the death date for Albert.

Below is a transcription of that affidavit.

General Affidavit

State of Missouri
County of Buchanan

In the matter of the claim for pension of Elmer E Hutchinson minor son of Albert Hutchinson

On this 25th day of September A.D. 1911, personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for the county aforesaid George Hockaday and Peter Van Valkenburgh 61 & 69 years, a resident of St Joseph in the county of Buchanan and State of Missouri, and _____ aged _____ years, a resident of _____ in the county of _____ and State of Missouri, whose Postoffice address is 1806 South 4th Street, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit and who being duly sworn, declare in relation to said case as follows:

We were well acquainted with Albert Hutchinson during his lifetime and we saw him after he was dead we were present and assisted in laying him out and in preparing him for burial we were also present at his funeral we know that Albert Hutchinson died on the 22nd day of July 1896 we know these facts from being present at the time.

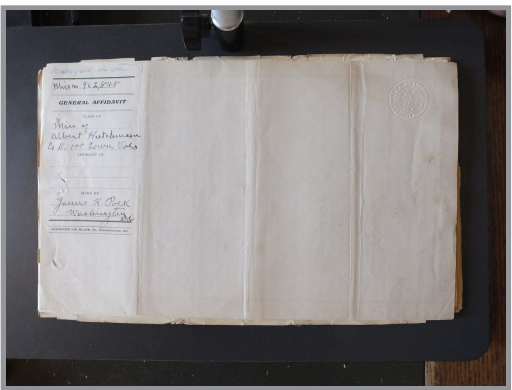
The above testimony was written in my presence by W H Chattle from oral statement made by us to him on the 25th day of September 1911 at St Joseph Mo., and in making such statement I was not aided or prompted by any written statement at recital dictated by any other person and not attached as an exhibit to the testimony. I further declare that I have no interest in said case and am not concerned in its prosecution.

George Hockaday
Peter Van Valkenburgh

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 25th day of September A.D. 1911 and I hereby certify that I have no interest and am not concerned in the prosecution of said claim, and that I read this foregoing to the deponents and that I [myself] subscribed and swore to the same with a full knowledge of its contents.

My term as Notary Public will expire July 17th 1911

W H Chattle
Notary Public



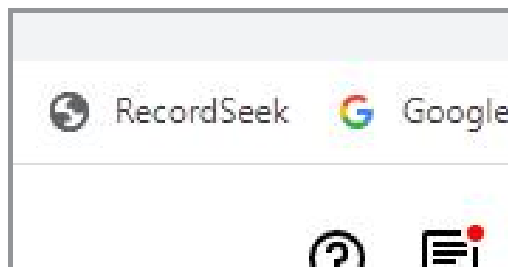
RecordSeek

Wednesday, March 03, 2021

My Source Struggle (part 1 and part 2) continues. A reader's comment suggested that I try the Chrome extension, Record Seek. According to the reader, this extension helps create a source citation on the FamilySearch tree for web based sources.

Seeking to learn more about RecordSeek, I found a FamilySearch wiki page for the RecordSeek extension. Like most of the FamilySearch wikis, this page was very informative, including directions on how to download and use RecordSeek.

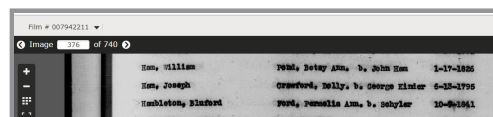
So I installed the extension and now have RecordSeek on my bookmarks bar.



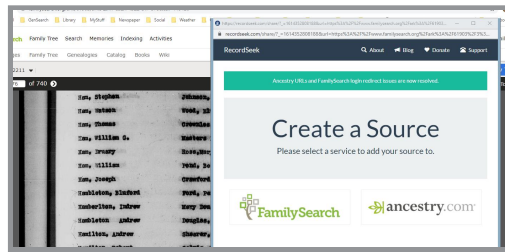
I found a source that contains information regarding the marriage of Dolly Crawford to Joseph Ham on FamilySearch.



I scrolled thru this source looking for Joseph Ham and found the marriage information on page 83.



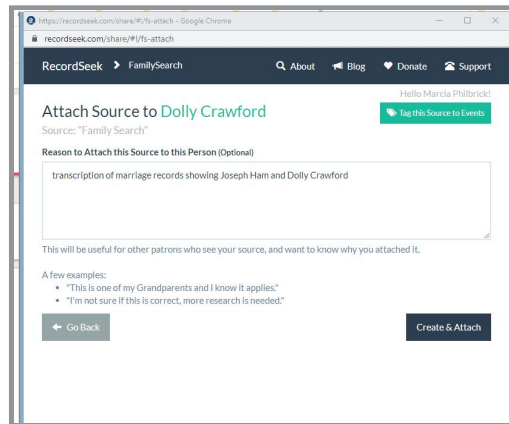
Since this source is an image and not a web page, I am unable to do step 2: "highlight information you'd like to include in the record notes." Thus, I moved on to the next step which is to click the RecordSeek button on my bookmarks bar. This opened RecordSeek's 'Create a Source' window.



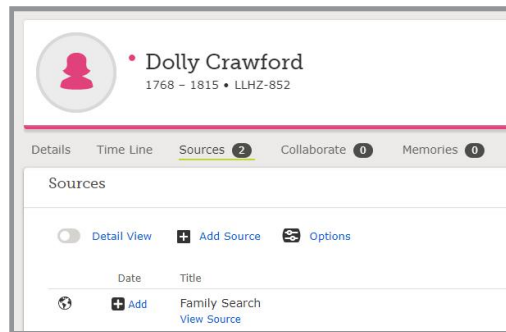
Since this source is from FamilySearch, I clicked on FamilySearch and logged in when prompted. That opened an 'Attach a Source' window with many of the fields filled in. (Note that Family Search was entered as the source title.)

I then clicked on NEXT and that opened a window to 'Search for an existing person.'

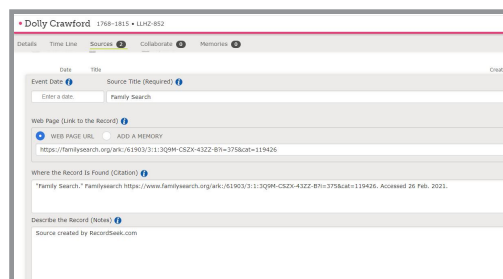
I then switched to the tab that had Dolly Crawford open so that I could copy the person ID. Once the ID was copied, the pop-up window for RecordSeek had disappeared behind the full screen browser. I was able to use Alt-Tab to locate that hidden window. I ended up typing in the ID since I wasn't able to paste the ID in the box. Clicking NEXT opened an 'Attach Source to Dolly Crawford' window where I filled in why I was attaching this source.



When I clicked on Create & Attach, it added the source to Dolly Crawford [LLHZ-852] on FamilySearch.



Unfortunately, this process used 'FamilySearch' as the title of this source and not the actual title of the book it came from. The 'Edit' screen for this source displays what was filled in by RecordSeek.



Since this process is flawed, I decided to work with RootsMagic. I have a personally created template for FamilySearch county records. I modified that template for a digital book. Then, I added a new source for Dolly Crawford.

Then on FamilySearch, I edited the source created by RecordSeek so that it would have better information.

- Added a standardized date
- Replaced the 'FamilySearch' title with the actual title of the book (copy/pasted from RootsMagic)
- Copied the footnote from RootsMagic into the 'Where the Record is Found (Citations)' box
- Copied the information I had transcribed into the 'Detail Text' source tab from RootsMagic into the 'Describe the Record (Notes)' box

Since I want the source information in TWO places, RootsMagic and FamilySearch, I likely won't be using RecordSeek. Instead, I will use my templates in RootsMagic to create the source and transcribe the record. Then I will create a new source on FamilySearch and copy/paste the information into FamilySearch.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, March 04, 2021

Today's collection of pictures involves my grandmother, Pauline Briles. My Heritage's Colorization tool was used with each of these photos.



Family Dinner in the 1950s in Manhattan, KS
Pauline Briles in rose colored dress, Barbara Thompson in green top, Bud Thompson with back to camera, Walter Briles at right edge of picture



Family Dinner
Faye Briles on left, Bud Thompson in center, Pauline Briles on right



Photo taken in Crawford kitchen in Dodge City
Pauline Briles



Pauline Briles and her brother, Leslie Mentzer

Julia Harding

Friday, March 05, 2021

Julia Harding was born in 1840 in New Brunswick, Canada. 1– 3

Julia Harding was listed on the 1851 census as an 11 year old female in the household of 47 year old William g. Harding in Westfield, Kings County, New Brunswick. Also listed in the household was 20 year old Caroline Harding; 18 year old Abel Harding; 16 year old Thomas Harding; 14 year old Abijah Harding; 9 year old Isabella Harding and 5 year old Henry Harding. 4

She married Albert Hutchinson on 14 Sep 1859 in Black Hawk, Iowa, United States. 2, 5– 7

Julia Hutchinson was listed as a 20 year old female born in New Brunswick in the household of Albert Hutchinson living in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk County, Iowa. Also listed in the household was 16 year old Isabella Harding and 36 year old Loren Gilbert. 8

On 12 Jul 1860, Gertrude Hutchinson was born.

On 9 Jun 1862, Albert G. Hutchinson was born. 9

On 2 Mar 1865, William Henry Hutchinson was born. 9

About 1867, Frederick Hutchinson was born.

About 1869, Cary Hutchinson was born.

Julia Hutchinson was listed as a 35 year old female born New Brunswick in the household of All Hutchinson in Jackson Township, Bremer County, Iowa. Also listed in the household was a 10 year old female named Gertrude, an 8 year old male named Alice, a 6 year old male name Willie, a 3 year old male named Frederick and a 1 year old female named Cary. 10

On 6 May 1871, Winnie Mae Hutchinson was born. 9

On 21 Sep 1874, Elnora Hutchinson was born. 9

On 29 Feb 1876, Guy Thomas Hutchinson was born. 9, 11

In Jul 1879, Francesca Hutchinson was born.

Jula Hurchardson was listed as the 40 year old wife of 49 year old A Huchardson living in Douglas Township, Mitchell County, Iowa. According to the census, Julia was born in New Brunswick. Also living in the household was a 15 year old son named William; a 9 year old daughter named Winnie; a 7 year old daughter named Elnora and a 4 year old son named Guy. 12

About 1884, Elvira Hutchinson was born.

Julia Hutchinson was listed as a 44 year old female in the household of 55 year old Albert Hutchinson. Also listed in the household was 21 year old Albert Hutchinson; 20 year old William Hutchinson ; 14 year old Winnie Hutchinson; 11 year old Guy Hutchinson; 9 year old Frank Hutchinson; 5 year old Leula Hutchinson and 1 year old Ehura Hutchinson. 13

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Twins

Saturday, March 06, 2021

In a recent 'Throwback Thursday' post, I included a picture of my grandmother, Pauline Mentzer and her twin brother, Paul Mentzer. Seeing that picture, my cousin reminded me that as children, we didn't know anything about grandma's twin brother and didn't even realize that she was a twin.

However, when going thru photo albums, grandma would fondly remember her brother who was killed in a roofing accident in 1942.



Paul Mentzer, wife, Ada and son Eugene

Paul Emory Mentzer

Paul Emory Mentzer 1 was born on 28 Mar 1896 in Yates Center, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 1– 6

He was the child of Charles Oliver Mentzer and Nettie Adell Wells. 7

Paul Mentzer was listed as the son of Charles Mentzer on the 1900 census in Woodson County, Kansas. According to the census, Paul was born Mar 1896 in Kansas. 8

He was listed as Paul Mentzer, an 8 year old male born in Kansas, on the 1905 census living in Neosho Falls, Woodson, Kansas, United States on 1 Jul 1905. 9

The 1910 census shows a 13 year old single male born Kansas who was listed as Paul E. Mentzer in Liberty Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States on 27 Apr 1910. 10

About 1912, Paul was educated in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 11

The 1915 Kansas census shows an 18 year old agriculture laborer born in Kansas who was listed as Paul Mentzer in Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States. 12

He registered for draft on 5 Jun 1917 in Woodson, Kansas, United States. 13

He was stationed in Fort Sill, Oklahoma on 29 Sep 1917. 14

On 25 Apr 1918, Paul departed aboard the Caronia as part of the 139th Infantry from New York, New York, United States. 15

He was wounded while serving in Co. E 139th Infantry A.E.F. before 1 Sep 1918 . 16

He was serving in the military on 13 Jan 1919 in Niagara Falls, Niagara, New York, United States. 14

The 1920 census shows a 23 year old male born Kansas who was employed as a garage mechanic who was listed as Paul Mentzer in Everett Township, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 17

He married Ada Ellen Saferite on 25 Aug 1921 in Neosho Falls, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 4, 11, 18– 21

Paul lived in Pittsburg, Crawford, Kansas, United States in Sep 1921. 11

He lived in Pittsburg, Crawford, Kansas, United States in 1925. 22

He received Bachelor of Science Degree on 28 May 1925 in Pittsburg, Crawford, Kansas, United States. 4

About 1930 Paul was a teacher in the high school in Burr Oak, Jewell, Kansas, United States. 11

He registered as a veteran of WWI in 1930 in Saline, Kansas, United States. 23

The 1930 census shows a 34 year old male born in Kansas who was employed as a teacher who was listed as Paul E. Mentzer in Eureka Township, Saline, Kansas, United States. 24

About 1935 he was an a teacher of manual training and physics in the high school in Council Grove, Morris, Kansas, United States. 11

Paul lived at 247 Fillmore in Denver, Denver, Colorado, United States in 1937. 25

He lived in Lyons, Boulder, Colorado, United States in Feb 1939. 26

The 1940 census shows a 44 year old male born in Kansas who was employed as a manual training teacher and who was listed as Paul Mentzer. in Lyons, Boulder, Colorado, United States. 27

He lived at Fitzsimmons Hospital in Denver, Denver, Colorado, United States about 1941. 11

Paul registered for draft in 1942 in Springfield, Baca, Colorado, United States. 28

He lived in Springfield, Baca, Colorado, United States in Aug 1942. 1

He died on 14 Aug 1942 in Lamar, Prowers, Colorado, United States at the age of 46. He fractured his skull in an accident at a public school building in Springfield, Colorado. 1, 4–6, 11, 29–31

Paul was buried on 18 Aug 1942 at Cedarvale Cemetery in Neosho Falls, Woodson, Kansas, United States. 1, 5–6, 31–32

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Wedding Photos

Sunday, March 07, 2021

Fearless Females – Marriage

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) Check out Lisa Alzo's "Fearless Females 2021" blog post prompts and write about one of them.

"Do I have marriage records for my grandparents and great-grandparents?"

Grandparents: Leon Russel Crawford and Winnie Letha Currey were married on Christmas Eve in 1919 at the home of her sister in Dodge City, Kansas.



STATE OF KANSAS
COUNTY OF DODGE
OFFICE OF PROBATE JUDGE OF SAID COUNTY

CERTIFIED COPY OF MARRIAGE RECORD

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 22ND day of DECEMBER, 1919, personally appeared _____, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

BY THE PROBATE COURT OF _____ COUNTY, KANSAS, on this 22ND day of DECEMBER, 1919, at _____, KANSAS, a public hearing was had on the application of _____ and _____, both of legal age, single, and of the County of _____, Kansas, for a marriage license, and the court, after reading the same, and finding that the same complied with the provisions of the laws of the State of Kansas, did order that a marriage license be granted to the said _____ and _____, and the same be published in the public hearing room of the court for the purpose of giving notice to all persons interested in the same.

ENDORSEMENT

I hereby certify that I performed the necessary duties in granting the above marriage license on this 22ND day of DECEMBER, 1919, at _____, KANSAS.

CERTIFICATE

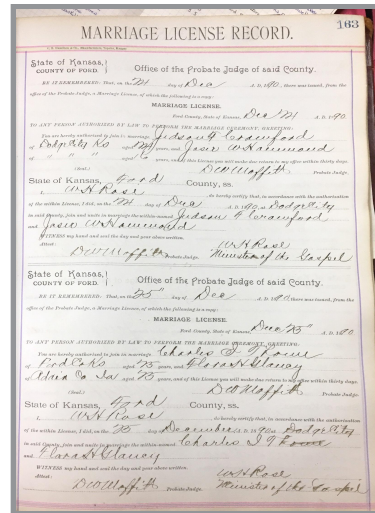
STATE OF KANSAS, _____ COUNTY, ss.
I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the marriage record as the same appears in the Marriage Record of the County of _____, Kansas, and is of record on page _____ of the Marriage Record of the County of _____, Kansas, this 22ND day of DECEMBER, 1919.

Probate Judge

Grandparents: Edward Osmond Briles and Pauline Edith Mentzer were married on Oct. 29, 1915 in Yates Center, Kansas



Great Grandparents: Judson Foster Crawford married Josie Winifred Hammond on Christmas Eve 1890 in Dodge City, Kansas. (Photo is from their 50th wedding anniversary celebration.)



Great Grandparents: Hiram Miles Currey married Winnie Mae Hutchinson on May 13, 1891 in Jackson County, Missouri. I do not have a wedding picture for them or a picture of them together.

Application No. _____ for License to Marry

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
County of Jackson,)
I, Edward M. Briles, of the County of Woodson, State of Kansas, do hereby certify that Edward M. Briles and Frances Artliss Ricketts are both single and unmarried, and are both of the age of 20 years, and that the said Edward M. Briles is of the age of 20 years, and that the said Frances Artliss Ricketts is of the age of 20 years, and that they are both single and unmarried, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____, 1900.

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
County of Jackson,)
I, Edward M. Briles, do hereby certify that Edward M. Briles and Frances Artliss Ricketts are both single and unmarried, and are both of the age of 20 years, and that the said Edward M. Briles is of the age of 20 years, and that the said Frances Artliss Ricketts is of the age of 20 years, and that they are both single and unmarried, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____, 1900.

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
County of Jackson,)
I, Edward M. Briles, do hereby certify that Edward M. Briles and Frances Artliss Ricketts are both single and unmarried, and are both of the age of 20 years, and that the said Edward M. Briles is of the age of 20 years, and that the said Frances Artliss Ricketts is of the age of 20 years, and that they are both single and unmarried, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____, 1900.

STATE OF MISSOURI,)
County of Jackson,)
I, Edward M. Briles, do hereby certify that Edward M. Briles and Frances Artliss Ricketts are both single and unmarried, and are both of the age of 20 years, and that the said Edward M. Briles is of the age of 20 years, and that the said Frances Artliss Ricketts is of the age of 20 years, and that they are both single and unmarried, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____, 1900.

Great Grandparents: Edward Grant Briles married Frances Artliss Ricketts on Feb. 19 1890 in Woodson County, Kansas. (Not sure when photo was taken, but it may have been for their 50th wedding anniversary.)



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MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD.

State of Kansas,) ss. In the Probate Court of said County and State.
Woodson County.
Edward G. Briles, who now has makes application for
Marriage License, addressed to any person authorized by law to join in marriage
by Edward G. Briles
aged 20 years, and Frances R. Ricketts aged 20 years,
being by me first duly sworn, do hereby that

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this _____ day of _____, 1900.

J. B. Briles

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I the undersigned, Judge of the Probate Court in and for Woodson County, and ex-officio clerk thereof, have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at my office, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 1890.

W. B. Briles

STATE OF KANSAS,)
COUNTY OF WOODSON,)
OFFICE OF PROBATE JUDGE OF SAID COUNTY.

BEFORE ME, the undersigned, Judge of the Probate Court in and for Woodson County, and ex-officio clerk thereof, have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at my office, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 1890.

For an Person Authorized by Law to Perform the Marriage Ceremony, Granting:

You are hereby authorized to join in Marriage Edward G. Briles of the County of Woodson, State of Kansas, aged 20 years, and Frances R. Ricketts of the County of Woodson, State of Kansas, aged 20 years, and of this County you will make due return to my office within thirty days.

Witness my hand and the seal of this Court, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 1890.

And which said Marriage License was afterwards, forthwith, on the _____ day of _____, A. D. 1890, returned to said Probate Judge, with the following Certificate endorsed thereon, to-wit:

STATE OF KANSAS, County of Woodson, ss.
I, J. B. Briles, do hereby certify that Edward G. Briles and Frances R. Ricketts are both single and unmarried, and are both of the age of 20 years, and that the said Edward G. Briles is of the age of 20 years, and that the said Frances R. Ricketts is of the age of 20 years, and that they are both single and unmarried, and may lawfully contract and be joined in MARRIAGE.

WITNESS my hand and seal this day and year above written.

J. B. Briles

ATTEST:

Probate Judge

Great Grandparents: Charles Oliver Mentzer married Nettie Adell Wells on Oct 18, 1893 in Yates Center, Woodson County, Kansas. (Photo taken later in their lives, but am

unsure of date.)



March 25 1915

STATE OF KANSAS, Office of Probate Judge of said County
COUNTY OF WOODSON
Be it Remembered, That on the 14th day of October, A. D. 1915, there was issued from the office of said
Probate Judge a Marriage License, of which the following is a true copy:

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Woodson County, State of Kansas, *Galena, Kas. D. 1883*

To my Power Authorized by law to Perform the Marriage Ceremony, I hereby certify that you are hereby authorized to join in Marriage *Charles O. Minter* a *Galena, Kas.*
aged *24* years and *Edith A. Wells* a *Galena, Kas.*
aged *20* years and of this License you will make due return to my office within thirty days.

And which said Marriage License was afterwards read, on the *25th* day of *October*, A. D. 1915, returned to
said Probate Judge, with the following Certificate received thereon, to-wit:

STATE OF KANSAS, County of Woodson, ss.
I, *Christina Minter*, of said County, do hereby certify that the
execution of the within License, I did on the *14th* day of *Oct*, A. D. 1915
at *Galena, Kas.* in said County, and was in Marriage the within
named *Charles O. Minter* and *Edith A. Wells*
Witness my Hand and seal this day and signature given.

Attest: *A. J. Jones*, Probate Judge. *Christina Minter*

Kansas Census

Monday, March 08, 2021

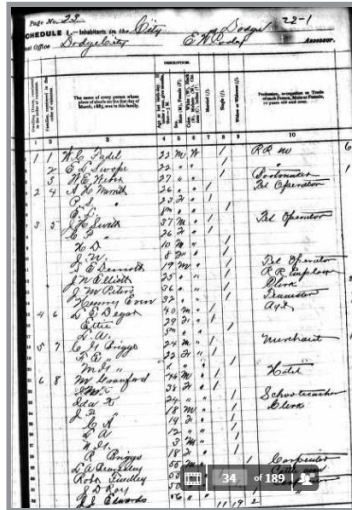
Do you ever take for granted a set of records available for your research that may not be available in other localities? If so, you are not alone. I have deep Kansas roots and I've taken for granted the wonderful census records found in Kansas.

I was reminded of that today when I say Michael John Neill's Genealogy Tip of the Day: Kansas State Census Records.

From 1855 to 1925, Kansas had a statewide census for the years ending in '5'. The Kansas State Historical Society's 1855-1940 Kansas Censuses page provides details about what was recorded on each of these records.

| Information Fields Included In The Kansas Censuses |
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| 1855 Eligible voters with ages by deciles. Some entries list names of family members, some give the number only. |
| 1860 All members of household by name; includes age, sex, race or color; and state or country of birth. |
| 1865 Same as 1860; also marital status and military record (company and regiment). |
| 1870 Same as 1860. |
| 1875 Same as 1860; also where from to Kansas (state or country). |
| 1880 Same as 1860; also relationship of all listed to the head of the household and birthplace (state or country) of the parents of each person listed. Parents' names were not given unless they were listed in person as members of the household. |
| 1885 Same as 1860; also where from to Kansas (state or country) and military record (condition of discharge, state of enlistment, letter or name of company or command, number of regiment or other organization to which attached, arm of the service, and name of military prison if confined in one). |
| 1895 Same as 1885. |
| 1900 Same as 1860; also relationship to head of household, birthplace of parents (state or country), month and year of birth, marital status, number of years married, number of children born to mother and number living, occupation, and citizenship. |
| 1905 Same as 1885. |
| 1910 Same as 1860; also relationship to head of household, occupation, citizenship, number of years in the U.S., mortgage holder, marital status, time unemployed per year, deaf, dumb, blind, insane, literacy, whether attends school, birthplace of parents, number of children born and living, Civil War service, years in present marriage, and mother tongue. |
| 1915 Same as 1885. |
| 1920 Same as 1860; also relationship to head of household, occupation, whether home is owned or rented and status of mortgage, marital status, citizenship status, whether attended school that year, literacy, parents' birth place and mother tongue, and whether able to speak English. |
| 1925 Same as 1885; also relationship to head of household, marital status and citizenship (year of immigration to the U.S. and year of naturalization if naturalized). |
| 1930 Same as 1920; also age at first marriage, employment or occupation, owned a radio, home owned or rented, and whether individual a veteran and in which war served. |
| 1940 Address, names of household members, relationship to head of household, sex, race, age, marital status, whether attended school or college since March 1, 1940, highest grade of school completed, state or country of birth, citizenship status, place of residence in 1935 & whether it's a farm, employment status—including why they're not working if unemployed, total income and how much they have worked in preceding year. |

These census records are very valuable for documenting Kansas families, especially between 1880 and 1900. For example, I can prove that my second great grandfather, Washington Marion Crawford and his family had moved from Indiana to Dodge City by 1885 because I can find him listed as M Crawford on the 1885 census in Ford County, Kansas



These census records are available on Ancestry in the dataset titled, Kansas, U.S., State Census Collection, 1855-1925. When I want to use this set of records I often can't remember the exact name of the set. Thus, I search the catalog for the keywords, Kansas Census, and then scroll thru the results until I find this set.

These records are also available on FamilySearch. They can be found by searching the catalog for Kansas and then looking for the Census records in the list of results.

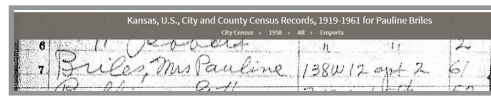
For those eagerly anticipating the 1950 census, Kansas is ahead of the game. There is another record set on Ancestry that includes census records up to 1961. This set of records is titled, All Kansas, U.S. City and County Census Records, 1919-1961. Below are some of the results for my grandparents, Edward Osmund Briles and his wife Pauline, who lived in Emporia, Lyon County, Kansas.

| All Kansas, U.S., City and County Census Records, 1919-1961 results for Briles | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Search Filters | View Record | Name | Enumeration Date | Registration Place |
| Results: 1 of 1 (1) View Record Edit Search Filter by All Categories > Census & Voter Lists > 1950 Kansas, U.S., City and County Census Records, 1919-1961 View Record Kansas, U.S., City and County Census Records, 1919-1961 View Record Kansas, U.S., City and County Census Records, 1919-1961 View Record | View Record | E O Briles | 1 May 1940 | Emporia, Lyon |
| | View Record | E O Briles | 1 May 1940 | Emporia, Lyon |
| | View Record | Edward O Briles | 1 May 1940 | Emporia, Lyon |
| | View Record | E O Briles | 1 May 1940 | Emporia, Lyon |
| | View Record | E O Briles | 1951 | Emporia, Lyon |
| | View Record | E O Briles | 1 May 1927 | Emporia, Lyon |
| | View Record | Pauline Briles | 1 May 1924 | Emporia |
| | View Record | Wm Pauline Briles | 1951 | Emporia |
| | View Record | Edward Briles | 2 May 1954 | Emporia |
| | View Record | Edward Briles | 1 May 1940 | Emporia |
| | View Record | E O Briles | 1 May 1940 | Emporia |
| | View Record | Wm Pauline Briles | 1950 | Emporia |

With these records, the family members are listed along with their ages and their address.

| Kansas, U.S., City and County Census Records, 1919-1961 for Barbara Briles | | | | |
|--|------|---------------|-------------|---------|
| City/County | 1919 | 1950 | 1960 | Emporia |
| 26 | " | Robert H | " | 5 |
| 27 | " | Bradley | " | 4 |
| 28 | " | Briles Edward | 645 Lincoln | 61 |
| 29 | " | Pauline | " | 56 |
| 30 | " | Barbara | " | 19 |

These records have helped me track where my grandmother, Pauline Briles, lived after the death of her husband, Edward Briles.



If you have Kansas roots, be sure to check out these wonderful records!

Hutchinson Family

Tuesday, March 09, 2021

I found another interesting document in the complete pension file for Albert Hutchinson. This one dated in 1941, long after his death. It is a letter from the State Social Security Commission of Missouri regarding Guy Thomas Hutchinson. This letter identifies six children of Albert Hutchinson who were living at the time.

State Social Security Commission of Missouri

Buchanan County
St. Joseph, Missouri
March 8, 1941

Edward Dunkin
Secretary-Director

Veterans Administration
Washington, D.C.

S C 689511 [mxc] 3/17/41
Albert Hutchinson

Re: Hutchinson, Guy Thomas
Atten: Dependents Claims Service, Director

Gentlemen:

Mr. Guy Thomas Hutchinson has applied to this agency for Old Age assistance. He believes that he was born February 29, 1876, but he does not have satisfactory age proof.

In our interview with Mr. Hutchinson, it was learned that his father Albert Stevens Hutchinson, was a veteran of the Civil War. He was with the Union Army. Mr. Hutchinson believes that his father was a member of the thirteenth regiment of Iowa. He enlisted for one period and was mustered out and then reenlisted for three years.

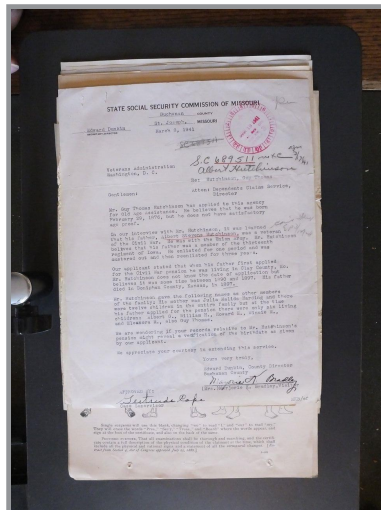
Our applicant stated that when his father first applied for the Civil War pension he was living in Clay County, Mo. Mr. Hutchinson does not know the date of application but believes it was some time between 1890 and 1897. His father died in Doniphan County, Kansas, in 1897.

Mr. Hutchinson gave the following names as other members of the family: His mother was Julia Malida Harding and there were twelve children in the entire family but at the time his father applied for the pension there were only six living children: Albert G., William H., Howard E., Winnie M., and Eleanora M., also Guy Thomas.

We are wondering if your records relative to Mr. Hutchinson's pension might reveal a verification of the birthdate as given by our applicant.

We appreciate your courtesy in extending this service.

Approved By:
Gertrude Cope
Case Supervisor



Howard Hutchinson

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Have you ever had a family story that you just couldn't prove? Did you give up on it?

That's what I did with a story my grandmother included in one of her letter.

Guy and Al lived & died (I think) in St. Joe Mo. William was drowned in the Mo river while we still lived at Lansing.

I tried to find an obituary for William Hutchinson up and down the Missouri River for the right time period. As I did more and more research on the family, I kept finding William alive and with a family. Thus, I gave up on proving the drowning story.

As I was transcribing a letter in Albert Hutchinson's pension file regarding Guy Hutchinson, I realized that it listed identified siblings of Guy.

but at the time his father applied for the pension there were only six living children: Albert G., William H., Howard E., Winnie M., and Eleanora M., also Guy Thomas.

I have ten children for the family of Albert Hutchinson and his wife Julia Harding, including Albert G., Wiliam Henry, Winnie Mae, Elnora and Guy Thomas. But I don't have Howard Hutchinson.

Knowing the family was in the area of St. Joseph, Missouri, I decided to search Newspapers.com for a Howard Hutchinson between 1890 and 1920. And I found articles about his death. He drowned in the Missouri River in 1905. (Note: later searches of Ancestry and FamilySearch have so far not found this Howard Hutchinson.)

The following is from an article in the "Brief Local News" section of the Wathena Republican (Wathena, KS) dated 2 June 1905:

The body of Howard Hutchinson who was drowned in the Missouri river during a severe storm the evening of March 27, while attempting to cross in a skiff, with four companions from a point opposite the water-works pumping station, was recovered near Winthrop Thursday afternoon. The body, which is badly decomposed, was brought to St. Joseph and conveyed to Meierhoffer's morgue. The burial was Friday in Oakland cemetery. Hutchinson was twenty-four years of age, unmarried and lived in the French Bottoms. His body is the last of the five victims of the disaster to be recovered. Hutchinson formerly lived in Burr Oak Township.

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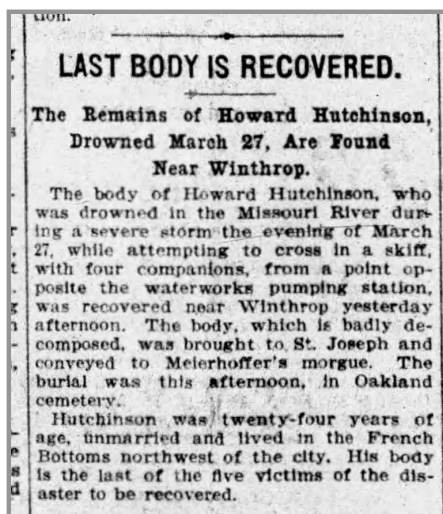
Another article found was in the 26 May 1905 issue of the St. Joseph News-Press titled, Last Body Is Recovered

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Drowned March 27, Are Found
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Hutchinson was twenty-four years of age, unmarried and lived in the French Bottoms northwest of the city. His body is the last of the five victims of the disaster to be recovered.



Now comes the task of locating more information on this Howard Hutchinson!

Time Out

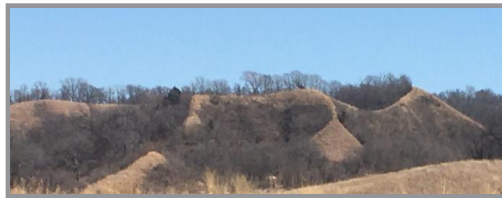
Thursday, March 11, 2021

I think everyone would agree that the past year has been a LONG year. A year ago, our local high school girls' basketball team was undefeated and competing at the Kansas state basketball tournament. A year ago, college basketball teams were anxiously awaiting the NCAA tournament. And then the unthinkable happened. The state basketball tournament was halted. March Madness was cancelled. Schools were closed. Traditional spring events for high school students were cancelled or postponed.

For genealogists, the Family History Library in Salt Lake City closed along with the family history centers around the country. The National Archives closed their research rooms. Many other libraries and archives followed suit and closed to in person research.

Thus, the research trips that my husband and I were planning for the spring, summer and fall were no longer a reality. Those trips are still sometime in the future. Even though vaccines are rolling out, we are still leery of planning research trips since some research facilities are still closed.

Thus, we are planning to take time off from our at home research and take some day trips. This last week we traveled about 70 miles from Seneca to go to the Loess Bluffs National Wildlife Refuge outside of Mound City, Missouri. This refuge is named after the bluffs formed on the East side of the river valley by the Missouri River.



But the highlight of the trip was the wildlife. Even though we only saw an empty Eagle's nest and an Eagle flying in the distance, the birds did not disappoint. We saw a few swans.



And we say lots of geese.



Very noisy geese!

It was an enjoyable 'Time Out'! We are already planning a return trip next winter to see the Eagles.

Shout Out

Friday, March 12, 2021

Today, I'd like to take time to thank others.

The first group that I'd like to thank is a group of faithful readers and promoters of my blog. Even though some of my posts are geared toward the genealogy community, my blog posts are often written to share my family research with other family members. Thanks to some very faithful readers in the genealogy community, I have been challenged to continue writing.

- Randy Seaver – Genea-Musings
- Eileen Lyon – Myricopia
- Linda Stufflebean – Empty Branches on the Family Tree

Thank you very much for your comments and support!

I would also like to thank a couple of people for providing writing prompts each week. I don't always get a post written for their prompts — but their prompts make me think about my research in a different way.

- Randy Seaver – Saturday Night Genealogy Fun prompts posted each Saturday on Genea-Musings (prompt from Saturday, March 6, 2021)
- Amy Johnson Crowe – 52 ancestors in 52 weeks

I would also like to thank the vast world of genealogy bloggers. I use Feedly to follow about 200 bloggers. With Feedly, I can see a small synopsis of the post and click thru to read the entire post. All of these bloggers help me learn more about research methods and sources.

THANK YOU!

Same Name

Saturday, March 13, 2021

This week's #52Ancestors prompt is 'Name's the Same'. If you've been reading my blog for a while, then you are aware that my research involves a lot of James Crawfords, with most of them being unrelated.

It is a challenge to separate records for people of the same name living in the same community at the same time. That is the issue that has plagued my Crawford research. I have at least two and often more James Crawford families in the same area at the same time. (See: Untangling James Crawfords)

Like my Crawford research, I've had to be careful when researching several other families because there's another family of the same name.

My William Thompson research is one area where I've encountered this. In Wapello county, Iowa, there are several William Thompsons in the early census records. My ancestor, William T. Thompson (1820-1898) is buried in the Ottumwa cemetery in Ottumwa, Iowa. Also buried in that cemetery is another William Thompson (1813-1892). This William Thompson was born in Ireland while my ancestor was born in Kentucky.



My Currey / Curry research is another area where I've struggled with same name issues. My great grandfather, Hiram M. Currey (1866-1945) was the son of Hiram M. Currey (1835-1901) who I believe was the son of Hiram M. Currey (1787-?) of Peoria, Illinois who may be the son of Hiram Mirick Currey of Ohio fame. Not only am I struggling with 4 generations of men of the same name, but the name Hiram seems to be a name commonly found among descendants of Thomas Currey of Adams county, Ohio.

One of those descendants, Hiram Meyrick Currey (1827-1898), son of William C. Currey and Hannah Adkins, is often confused in family trees with the Hiram Currey of Peoria, Illinois. Although there are not many records for the Hiram Currey of Peoria, there are records identifying his occupation as a lawyer. This piece of information helps separate the two men since Hiram Meyrick Currey (1827-1898) was a doctor. Additional research is needed, but these two men are likely first cousins.

All of this experience with 'same name' issues has taught me to question whether I could be encountering that complication when researching a family in a new area. My efforts to locate as many records as possible and to build out the family is what has helped me to separate these families. Keeping the families straight is why I often maintain information about the other family in my genealogy file.

Favorite Music

Sunday, March 14, 2021

It's Saturday Night again –
time for some more Genealogy Fun!!

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) What is your all-time favorite song? Yep, number 1. It's hard to choose sometimes. If you made your favorite all-time Top 40 music selections, what would be #1?

What is my all-time favorite song? I'm expected to pick ONE song? I have over 8,000 files in my iTunes folder and I'm supposed to pick just one. That is a nearly impossible task. I can name what at one time was my husband's favorite artist, Cat Stevens, and my sister-in-laws still favorite artist, John Denver.

Over the years, I've listened to a variety of music. During my high school and college years, I listened to mostly folk and soft rock with a little rock added to the mix during college. After moving to Seneca, my tastes in music switched to country. This might be due to the fact that our regional radio stations play country. Recently, I've been listening to a lot of Christian worship music.

Below is a chronology of some of my favorite songs:

Sweet Caroline by Neil Diamond

Colour My World by Chicago

America by Neil Diamond

Sounds of Silence by Simon and Garfunkel

The above songs are all from my teen and young adult years. When I scrolled thru my collection of country songs, none of them stood out as a song that I played over and over. Many of the songs in my collection are from the 1980s and 1990s.

My recent favorites are all worship related songs. The song ' **10,000 Reasons**' by Matt Redmon is probably my most played song since it is what I use for an alarm on my phone.

During the past year of the lockdown, I've found a new favorite group: **The COR Worship Collective**. This group of worship leaders from the Church of the Resurrection headquartered in Leawood, Kansas has been writing a lot of new music. Much of that music has been shared on their YouTube channel.

So, I don't really have an all-time favorite song – or even an all-time favorite style of music.

Who's Buried There

Monday, March 15, 2021

(Note: I started writing this blog post a week ago using RootsMagic 7. About half way thru, I questioned why I was bothering to write this for version 7 when version 8 is in preview. Today, I elected to finish this post and then commit to a similar post using RootsMagic 8.)

Do you ever want a list of everyone in your genealogy file buried in a particular cemetery? If so, you are not alone.

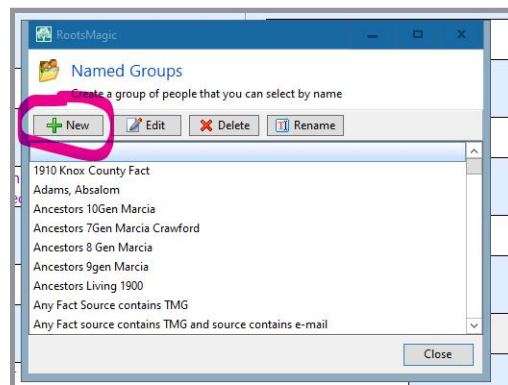
I've recently been working thru hints for descendants of Zebulon Foster. As I've been working on that, I've noticed that several of them are buried in Forest Hill Cemetery in Kansas City, Missouri. Thinking that I have relatives from other lines also buried in that cemetery, I'd like to create a list of everyone buried there.

Thus, I'm (hopefully) going to create a marked group in RootsMagic 7 for that cemetery.

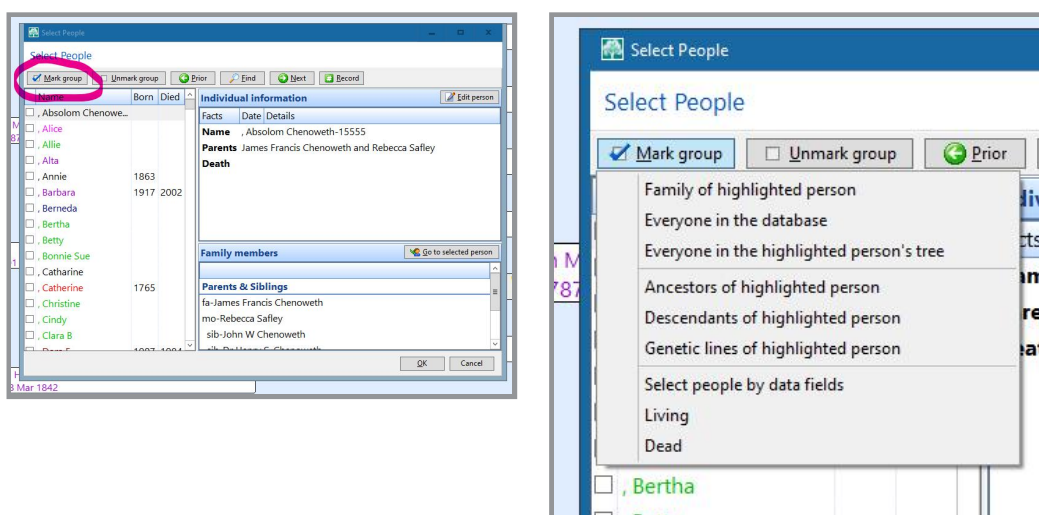
To create that group, I clicked on the 'Groups' tab at the top of my list of people and then clicked on the folder icon.



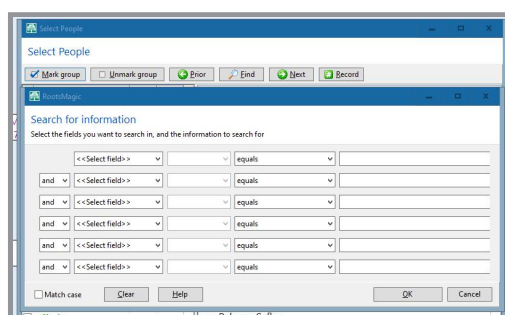
That opens the 'Named Groups Window' where I click 'NEW'.



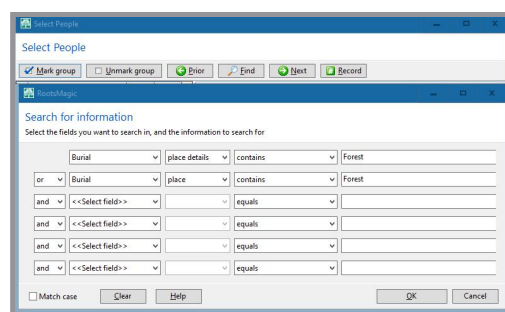
This opens the 'Select People' window where I can click the people I want in the group. However, if I click on the 'Mark Group' button instead, I get to other options for marking the group.



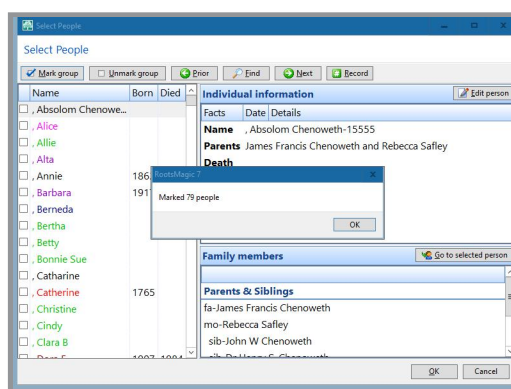
For this list, I want to 'Select people by data fields'. Thus, I click on that option which opens the 'Search for information' window.



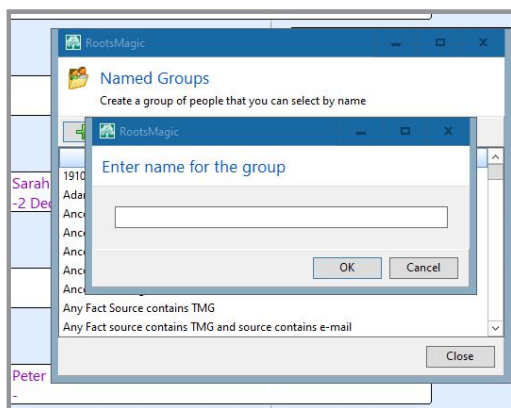
Since it is possible that I still have the name of the cemetery in the 'Place' field instead of the 'Place Details' field, I'm going to have to search both possibilities. Thus, I will use an OR statement to look for the word Forest in the place details OR in the place.



When I click OK, the software searches thru my data and reports back that it found 79 people with Forest either in the place details field or in the place field.

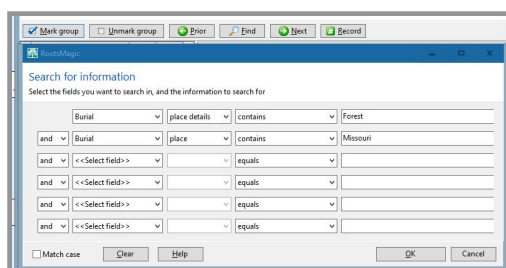


When I click OK on the 'Marked 79 people' box, it takes me back to the 'Select People' window. If I scroll thru my list of people, I find that there are check marks by some of them. Clicking OK on this window, the 'Select People' window closes and a new window 'Enter name for the group' window appears prompting me to name the group.



After entering the name 'Burial Place contains Forest' and clicking OK. Unfortunately, when I look thru the results, I discover that my search isn't specific enough. One of the people in my marked group is buried in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Los Angeles.

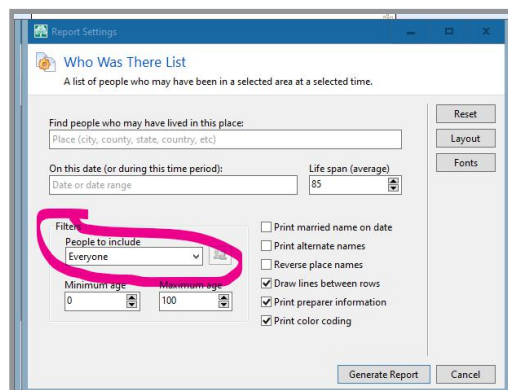
Thus, my search needs to get more specific. Since I can't use parenthesis to group my search arguments, I will have to mark two separate groups: one for place details and one for place. (Note: I didn't have anyone with the name of the cemetery in the place field.)



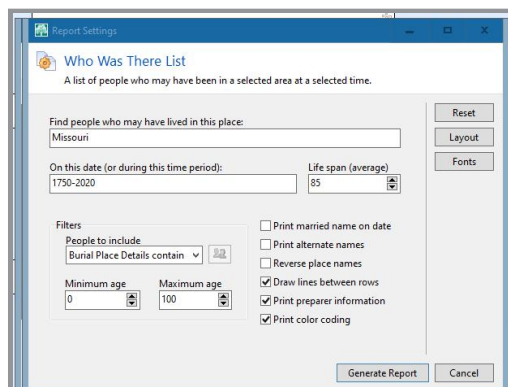
Now I have a group that I can use to create a report.



The quickest way to create a report listing these people is to use the 'Who Was There List' report. To create this report, I have to enter a place and a date range. Then I can use the filter option to select my group.



For this project, I'm going to enter Missouri for the place and 1750-2020 for the date. Then I'm going to select my 'Burial Place Details Contains Forest' group. (Note: I need to shorten my group names so that I would be able to tell them apart if I had more than one group for burial place.)



That generates a report listing the individuals in my group and what is known about each person.

| Name | Born | Died | Age | Place |
|---|-------------|-------------|-----|--|
| Dorothy-12196 | 1905 | 1911 | 0 | Residence: Canton, Lewis, Missouri, United States (1910) Death: Missouri, United States (1911) Burial: Canton, Lewis, Missouri, United States |
| Bradley, Edith S-11662 | 8 Aug 1876 | 11 Dec 1939 | 0 | Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1910) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1920) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1927) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1930) Death: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1939) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Bruce, Anna-11654 | 5 Oct 1867 | 8 Oct 1951 | 0 | Birth: Missouri, United States (1867) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1900) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States (1932) Death: Bates, Missouri (1951) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States (1951) |
| Burke, Theo Henry-10297 | 23 Jan 1843 | 23 Jan 1939 | 0 | Birth: Lamar, Barton, Missouri, United States (1833) Residence: Cass Township, Douglas, Missouri, United States (1900) Residence: Cass Township, Douglas, Missouri, United States (1910) Residence: Cass Township, Douglas, Missouri, United States (1920) Residence: Clark Township, Wright, Missouri, United States (1930) Death: Newwood, Wright, Missouri, United States (1939) Burial: Douglas, Missouri, United States |
| Cridler, Bessie-11661 | 16 Nov 1891 | 24 May 1965 | 0 | Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1900) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1910) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States (1965) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |

Curious about whether other reports could also be used for this task, I investigated the 'Fact List' Report. With this report, I elected to create a list of "People with this fact type" and then chose the 'Burial' fact. Then I switched the 'people to include' from 'everyone' to my group: Burial Place Details contain.

When I clicked on the Generate Report button, I got a list of people in my group with their burial date and burial place. This report revealed that my group selection included was a little faulty since it includes a few people that are not buried in the Forest Hills Cemetery in Kansas City.

| Name | Date | Place |
|---|-------------|--|
| Dorothy | | Canton, Lewis, Missouri, United States |
| Bradley, Edith S | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Bruce, Anna | 8 Oct 1951 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States |
| Burke, Theo Henry | | Douglas, Missouri, United States |
| Cridler, Bessie | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Cridler, Charles P. | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Cridler, Leota | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Cridler, Samuel Pete | 4 Feb 1926 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States |
| Cridler, William B. | | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States |
| Cridler, Zebulon | 19 May 1913 | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Curey, Elizabeth Jane | 7 Jun 1945 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States |
| Foster, Rachel | | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States |
| Gunsidge, Eldon Adoniam | 8 Mar 1939 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States |
| Spagg, William H | | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States |

Custom Report Designer

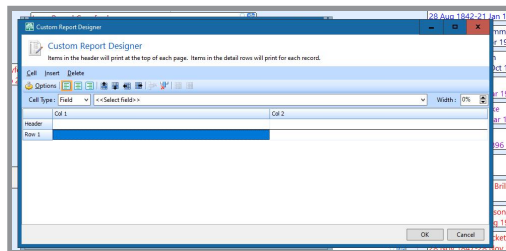
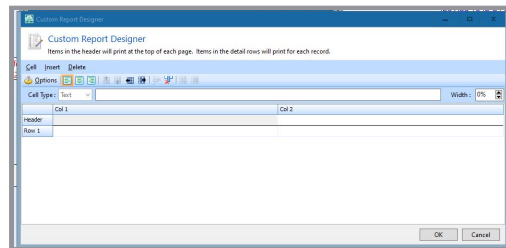
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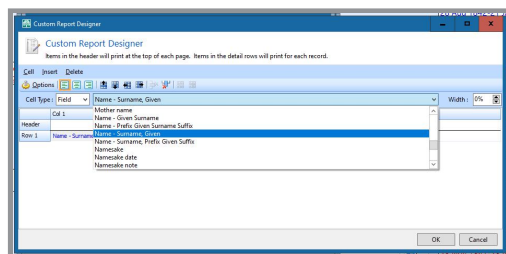
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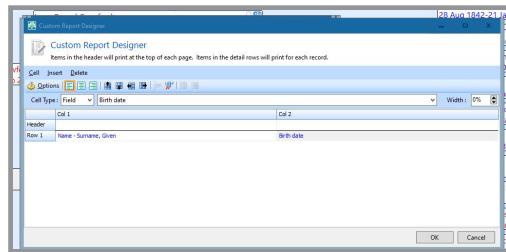
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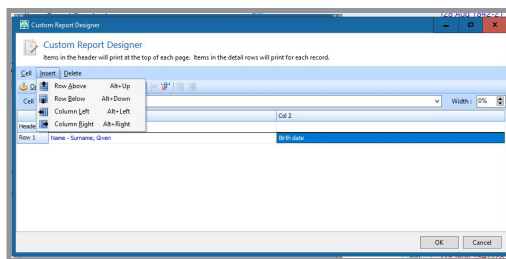


The screenshot shows the 'Custom Report Designer' window. At the top, there's a header section with a title 'Custom Report Designer' and a subtitle 'Items in the header will print at the top of each page. Items in the detail rows will print for each record.' Below this is a toolbar with various icons for report design. The main area displays a report layout with a table. The table has a header row with columns 'Name - Surname, Given' and 'Width'. The first data row shows 'Col 1' and 'Mother name'. The second data row shows 'Header' and 'Name - Profile Given Surname Suffix'. The third data row shows 'Row 1' and 'Name - Surname, Profile Given Suffix'. The fourth data row shows 'Name - Surname, Profile Given Suffix' and 'Name - Surname, Profile Given Suffix'.



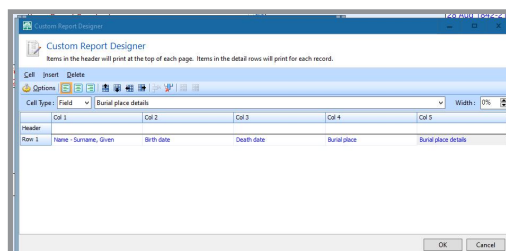


Now it looks like I'm stuck since there aren't any more columns. However, there is a menu at the top that contains the options to 'Insert' and to 'Delete'. If I highlight the Birth date field and click on Insert, I have the option to insert a column (or row). Since I want more columns to the right, I select 'Column Right'.

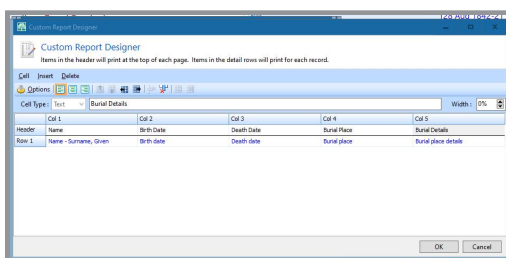


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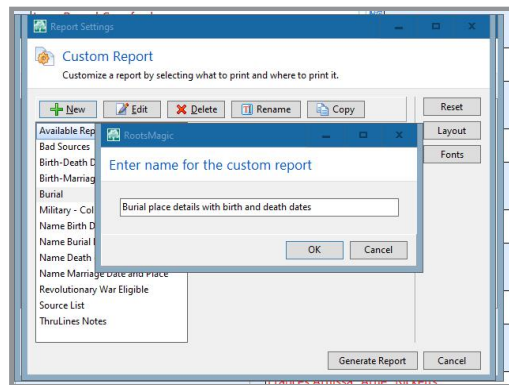
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- Burial place in Col 4
- Insert column right of Col 4
- Burial place details in Col 5



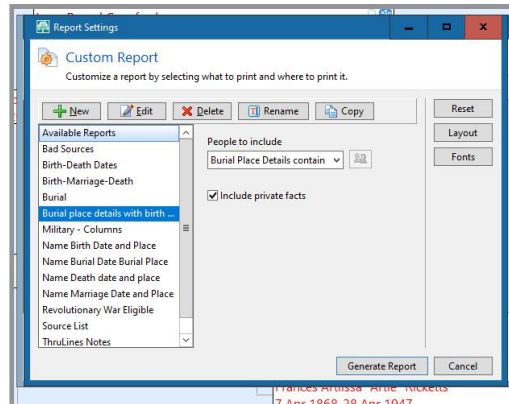
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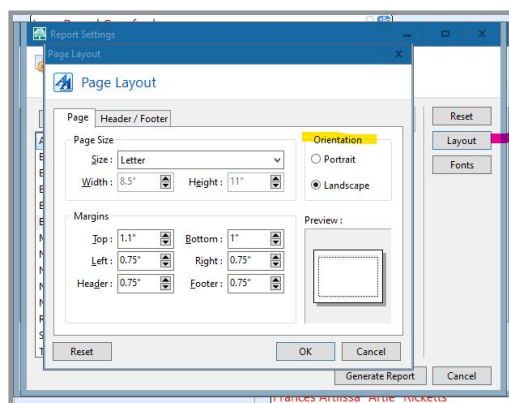
When I click on the OK button, I'm asked to name my design.



That places this new report in my list of other custom reports. Now, I can select that report and change the people to include to my Burial place details group.



Since this report could be wide, I need to change the layout so that it will print 'landscape'. To do this, I click on the Layout button and then change the orientation.

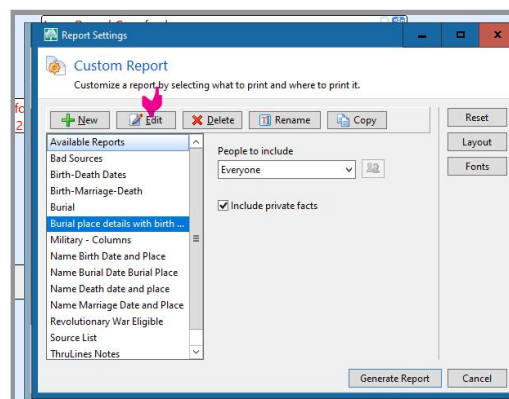


Now, I can generate my report.

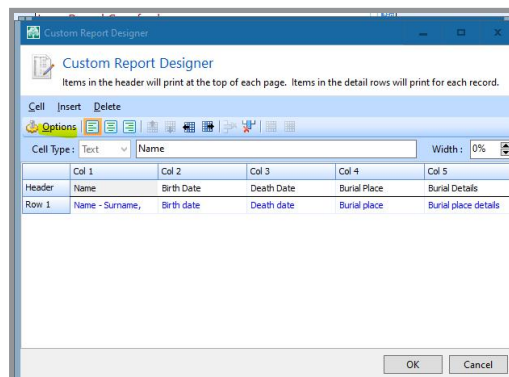
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| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Burial Place | Burial Details |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|--|----------------------|
| Shawley, Dorothy | 1900 | 1911 | Canter, Lewis, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Bradley, Edith S. | 1900 | 11 Dec 1919 | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Brace, Anna | 8 Aug 1878 | 8 Aug 1917 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Brink, Thos Henry | 7 Oct 1887 | 8 Oct 1901 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Crider, Bruce | 22 Jan 1943 | 22 Jan 1939 | Douglas, Missouri, United States | Oak Forest Cemetery |
| Crider, Bruce | 14 Nov 1891 | 24 May 1963 | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Crider, Charles P. | 18 Nov 1892 | 20 Feb 1924 | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Crider, Louis | 14 Mar 1889 | 9 Jul 1974 | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Crider, Savord Peter | 25 Mar 1892 | 2 Feb 1926 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Crider, William B. | 10 Apr 1829 | 15 Feb 1894 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Crider, Zebulon | 1 Sep 1817 | 18 May 1913 | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Curry, Elizabeth Jane | 22 May 1874 | 2 Jan 1945 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Foster, Rachel | 23 May 1817 | 21 Apr 1921 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |
| Gutridge, Eldon Adoniam | 8 Jul 1861 | 8 Mar 1939 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Lawn Cemetery |
| Hepp, William H. | 17 Jan 1823 | 12 Oct 1992 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery |

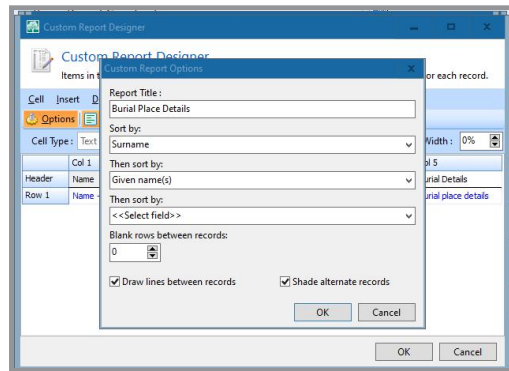
The report provides the information I wanted — but it is missing a title. Thus, I need to go back to the design of this report by highlighting the name of the report and then clicking on the Edit button.



In looking at the Custom Report Designer screen, I don't see a place to put in a title for the report. However, I see an Options button.



When I click on that button, there is a place to add a title. In addition, I can change the way the report is sorted from this screen. Thus, I type in a title and click OK.



I click OK again to save the edited report and return to the menu where I select my group and verify the layout is still landscape. Then I click Generate Report. Now I have a report with a title.

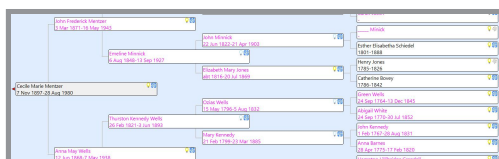
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| Name | Birth Date | Death Date | Burial Place | Burial Details | |
| Brook, Edwin S. | 1886 | 1911 | Canton, Lewis, Missouri, United States | Forest Green Cemetery | |
| Brook, Edwin S. | 1886 | 1911 | Canton, Lewis, Missouri, United States | Forest Green Cemetery | |
| Brook, Anna | 1 Aug 1876 | 11 Dec 1939 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Brook, Anna | 1 Oct 1867 | 8 Oct 1951 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Burke, Thos Henry | 23 Jan 1843 | 23 Jan 1939 | Douglas, Missouri, United States | Oak Forest Cemetery | |
| Crode, Emma | 18 Jan 1885 | 24 May 1965 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Crode, Charles F. | 28 Jan 1885 | 20 Feb 1924 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Crode, Leota | 14 Mar 1889 | 9 Jul 1974 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Crode, Samuel Peter | 23 Mar 1862 | 2 Feb 1924 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Crode, William B. | 10 Apr 1829 | 15 Feb 1898 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Crode, Elizabeth Jane | 1 Sep 1857 | 18 May 1913 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Crode, Elizabeth Jane | 22 May 1874 | 7 Jun 1945 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Farm, Rachel | 20 May 1837 | 22 Apr 1921 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Gutridge, Ellen Adams | 8 Jul 1881 | 8 Mar 1939 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |
| Spagg, William H. | 17 Jan 1823 | 12 Oct 1991 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | Forest Hill Cemetery | |

Now to figure out how to accomplish this task in RootsMagic 8.

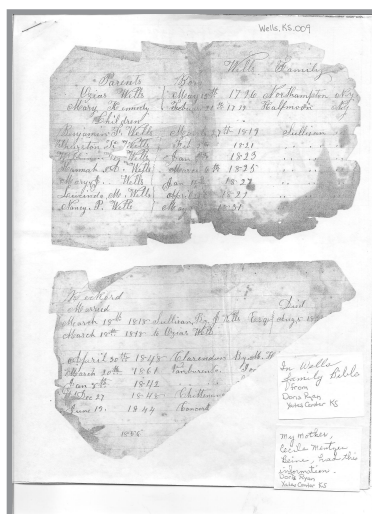
Wells Bible

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

I received a photocopy of Bible records from a daughter of Cecile Mentzer Beine. Cecil Mentzer was a daughter of Anna Wells and John Mentzer and granddaughter of Thurston Kennedy Wells.



Wells Family

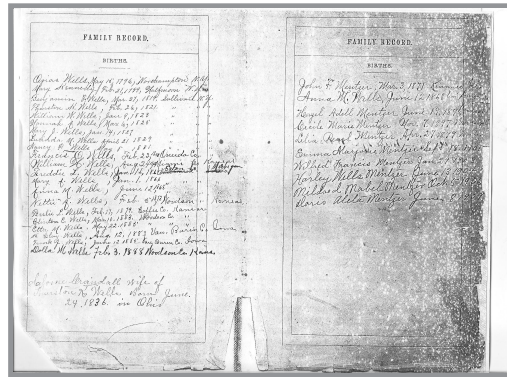


Parents Born

Ozias Wells May 15th 1796 Northampton Ny
Mary Kennedy Febuary 21th 1799 Halfmoon Ny

Children

Benjamin F Wells March 27th 1819 Sullivan "
Thurston K Wells Feb 2th 1821 Sullivan "
William W Wells Jan [8]th 1823 Sullivan "
Hanna A. Wells March 6th 1825 Sullivan "
Mary J Wells Jan 11th 1827 Sullivan "
Lucinda M. Wells April 25 1829 Sullivan "
Nancy P. Wells May [?] 1831 Sullivan "



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Married Died

March 18th 1818 Sullivan by J. Wells Esq | Aug 5 183[2]

March 18th 1818 to Ozias Wells

April 30th 1848 CLarendon By M. H

March 20th 1861 Vanburen[g] l[o]

Jan 8th 1842 "]]

Dec 27 1848 Chittenan[g]

June 15 1844 Concord

1856

Births

Ozias Wells, May 15, 1796, Northampton N.Y.

Mary Kennedy, Feb. 21, 1799, Halfmoon N.Y

Benjamin F Wells, Mar. 27, 1819, Sullivan N.Y.

Thurston K. Wells, Feb. 26, 1821, " "

William W. Wells, Jan. 9, 1823 " "

Hannah A. Wells, Mar. 6, 1825 " "

Mary J. Wells, Jan. 14, 1827 " "

Lucinda M. Wells April 21 1829 " "

Nancy P. Wells, May 8, 1831 " "

Francis O. Wells, Feb 23, 1858, Oneida Co. "

William H. Wells, Aug 24 18[55] Miami Co Kansas

Freddie L. Wells, Jan. 16, 1862 Eaton Co Michigan

Mary A. Wells, Jan 1 1866 " "

Anna M. Wells, June 12, 1868 " "

Nettie A. Wells, Feb. 5 1873 Woodson Kansas

Pearlie L. Wells, Feb. 17, 1879 Coffee Co. Kansas

Clinton E. Wells, Mar. 10. 1883 Woodson Co. Kansas

Etta M. Wells, May 22. 1885 " "

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Frank J. Wells, June 12 1885 Van Buren Co. Iowa

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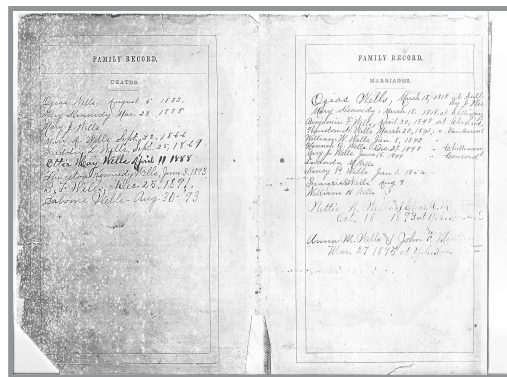
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Thurston K. Wells Born June

24. 1836. in Ohio

Births

John F. Mentzer, Mar. 3, 1871 Kewanee Ill.
Anna M. Wells, June 12 1868 Van Buren [?]
Hazel Adell Mentzer June 19, 1896 Woodson Co
Lelia Pearl Mentzer Apr. 27 1899 Woodson
Emma Marjorie Mentzer Sept 18. 1901
Wilfred Francis Mentzer Jan. 29 1903
Harley Wells Mentzer June 13 1904
Mildred Mabel Mentzer Oct. 5 1906
Doris Aleta Mentzer June 8 1909



Deaths

Ozias Wells, August 5 18332
Mary Kennedy Mar. 23 1885
Mary J. Wells
Mary A. Wells Sept 23, 1866
Freddie L. Wells, sept. 25, 1869
Etta May Wells April 11 1888
Thurston Kennedy Wells, June 3, 1893
B. F. Wells. Dec. 25, 1891,
Salome Wells – Aug. 30 – 93

Marriages

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Mary Kennedy, March 18. 1818 at Sullivan
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Mary J. Wells June 15, 1844 " Concord
Lucinda M. Wells
Nancy P. Wells Jan 1. 1856 "
Francis O Wells Aug 9
William H Wells

Nettie A. Wells and Chas. O. Mentzer
Oct. 18 1893 at Y.C. Co Kansas

Anna M. Wells and John F. Mentzer
Mar. 27 1895 at Y.C. Kan. [Kansas]

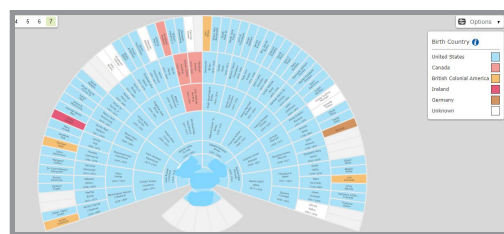
Irish Roots?

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

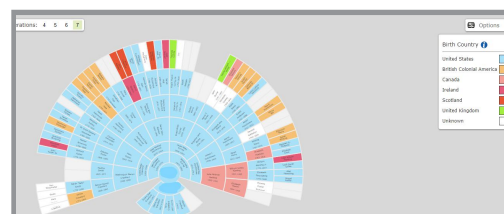
Growing up, I wore green on St. Patty's day. However, my family did not celebrate being Irish on that day. That's likely because those Irish roots are buried deep in our tree.

Looking at FamilySearch's seven generation fan chart showing country of birth, my tree is mostly blue. In other words the vast majority of my ancestors thru 6 and 7 generations were born in the United States. Even my Harding line that has two generations born in Canada has roots in New York.

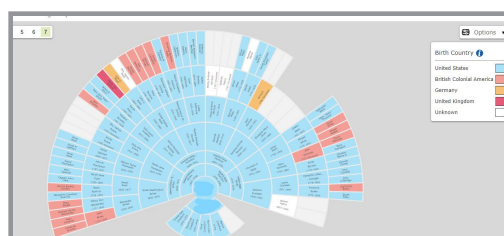
David Ralston is my only 4th great grandparent born in Ireland.



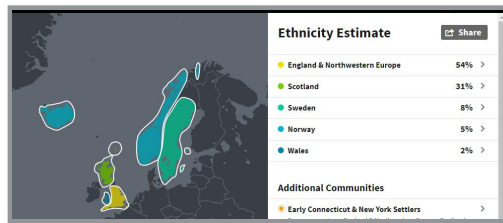
If I go back a generation and look at my dad's tree, a few more possible Irish lines appear.



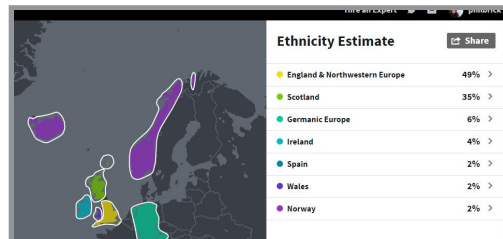
However, my mom's side of the tree only shows one possible Irish line.



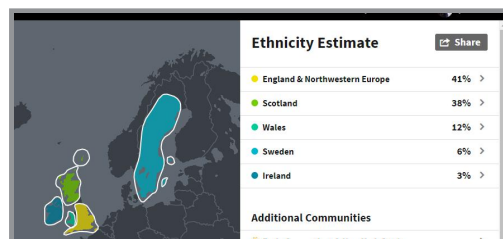
So does my DNA support me having any Irish roots. Even though the way Ancestry determines ethnicity has been modified over the past 5 years, my DNA story does not indicate I have much Irish. It does, however, indicate fairly strong Scottish roots.



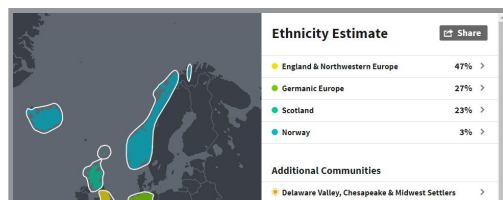
Since I have also had my brothers and my mother tested, I also can access their DNA stories to check for Irish ethnicity.



Brother 1 (March 2021)



Brother 2 (March 2021)



Mother (March 2021)

Even though my ethnicity results don't indicate I'm Irish, I'm going to claim that I'm a tad-bit Irish based on the ethnicity results of my brothers.

However, when others ask about my heritage, my response varies based on my mood at the time. Sometimes, I'm Kansan. If I've been doing a lot of Crawford research in Kentucky, then I often respond that I'm from Kentucky. Other times, I respond that I'm colonial American.

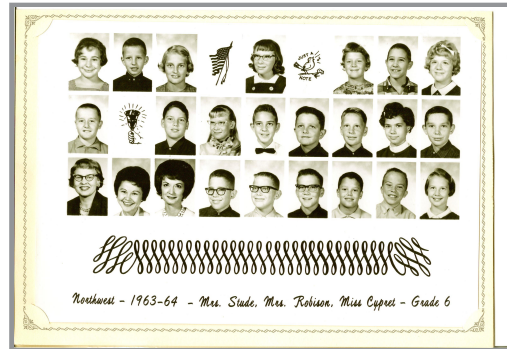
But every St. Patrick's day, I celebrate my 'just a little bit' Irish roots.

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, March 18, 2021

Northwest Elementary School 6th Grade photo



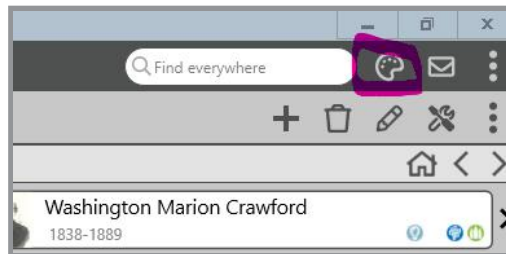
Who's Buried There Pt 2

Friday, March 19, 2021

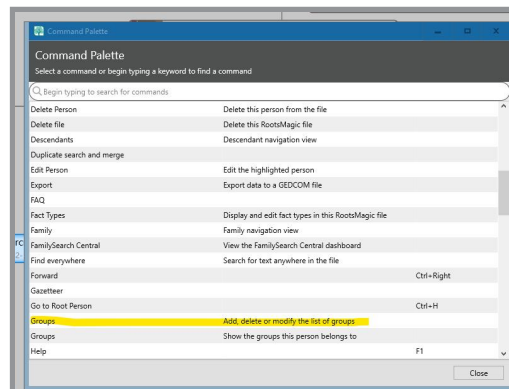
RootsMagic 8 process

To begin with, I copied my RootsMagic 7 file for use in RM 8 so that I would be able to work with a similar marked group. I then imported the RM 7 file into RM 8.

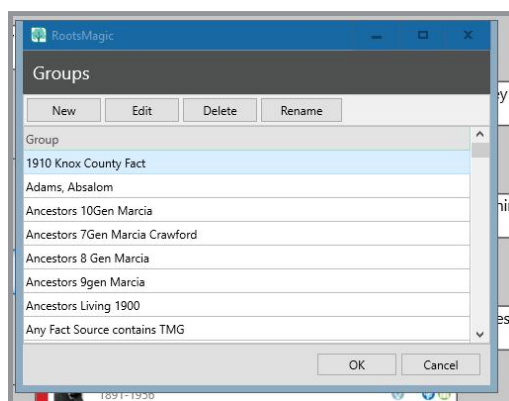
To create the marked group, I clicked on the painter's palette icon in the top left portion of the screen.



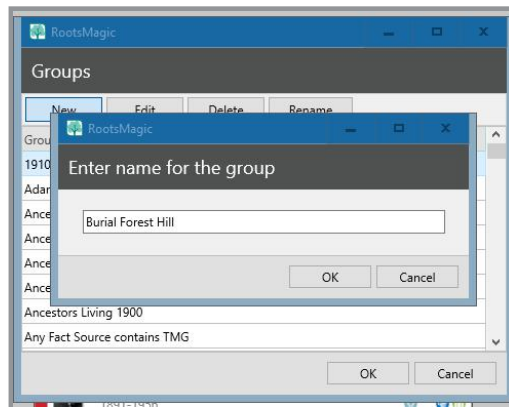
That opens the 'Command Palette'. Within this list of commands are two commands related to groups, including one that allows for the creation of a new group.



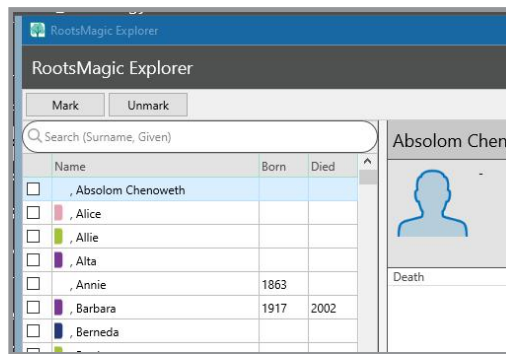
Clicking on the first Groups opens the 'Groups' window.



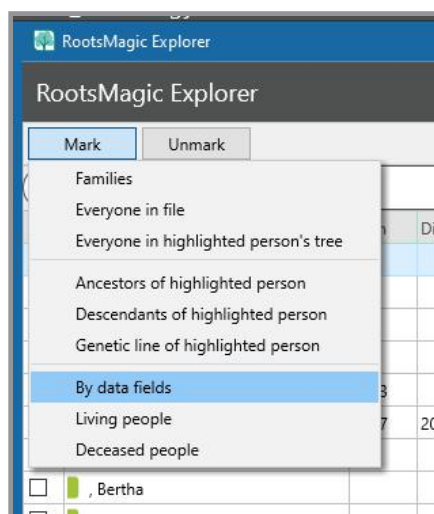
Clicking on the 'New' Button, I'm asked to name the group. Having learned from the process in RM7, I used a shorter name this time.



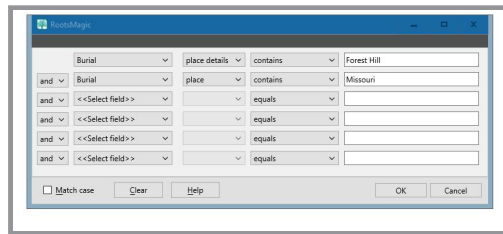
This opens a RootsMagic Explorer window with 'Mark' and 'Unmark' buttons.



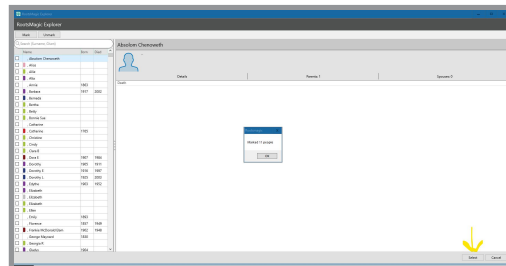
Clicking on 'Mark' opens a pull down menu allowing me to select 'By Data Fields'.



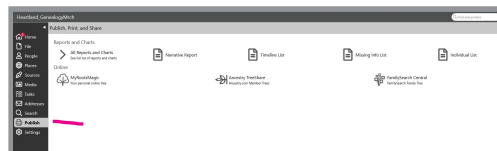
Hoping to get a more specific marked group, I changed the selection slightly. Since I want to pull everyone buried in the Forest Hill Cemetery in Kansas City Missouri, I searched for burial place details containing Forest Hill and Burial place contains Missouri.



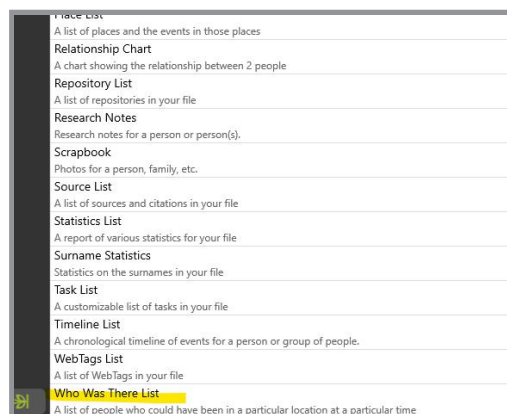
That pulled 11 people. Be sure to click the “SELECT” button in the lower left to save the marked group.



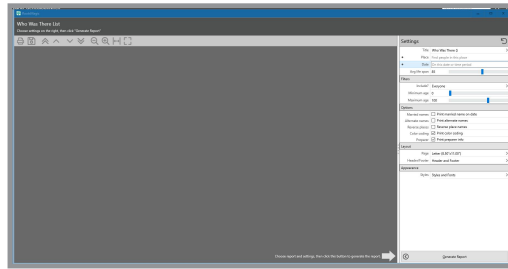
Now that the group is marked, I'm turning to the Publish screen to create the report.



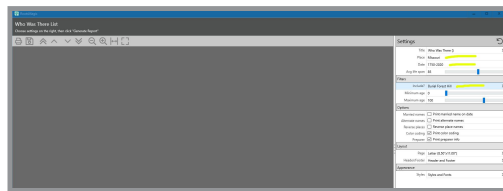
I clicked on All Report and Charts to open the entire list of available reports. Scrolling down, I located the 'Who Was There List'.



Clicking on that report, the screen to modify the report opened.



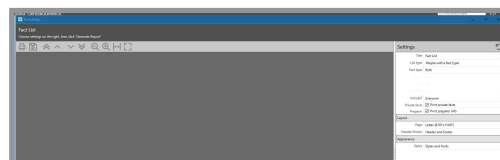
In RootsMagic 7, I put Missouri in the Place field, 1750-2020 in the date field and changed 'Everyone' to the group 'Burial Forest Hill'.



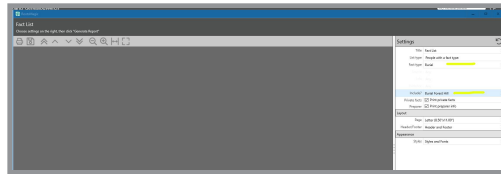
Clicking on 'Generate Report' produces a report similar to that found in RootsMagic 7.

| Name | Born | Died | Age | Place |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----|--|
| Chapman, Sarah S-1062 | 8 Aug 1876 | 11 Dec 1939 | 0 | Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1939) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1920) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1927) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1936) Death: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1939) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Brown, Anna-1064 | 5 Oct 1867 | 8 Oct 1951 | 0 | Berlin, Missouri, United States (1867) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1900) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States (1932) Death: Bates, Missouri (1931) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States (1931) |
| Coleman, Beulah-1065 | 16 Nov 1891 | 24 May 1963 | 0 | Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1900) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1910) Marriage: Kansas City, Missouri (1916) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States (1963) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States Marriage: Kansas City, Missouri (1916) |
| Coleman, Charles P-494 | 26 Jan 1863 | 20 Feb 1926 | 0 | Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1900) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1910) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1920) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |
| Coleman, Lucile-1066 | 14 Mar 1889 | 9 Jul 1974 | 0 | Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1900) Residence: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States (1910) Burial: Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States |

The second report I tried in RootsMagic 7 was the Fact List.



For this report, I changed the 'Fact Type' to 'Burial'. Then I changed the Include? from Everyone to the marked group, 'Burial Forest Hill'.



Clicking on 'Generate Report' produces a report similar to that from RootsMagic 7.

| Burial List | | | 12 March 2021 |
|-----------------------|-------------|--|---------------|
| Name | Date | Place | |
| Bradley, Edith S | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | |
| Brady, Anna | 8 Oct 1951 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | |
| Crider, Bessie | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | |
| Crider, Charles P. | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | |
| Crider, Laveta | | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | |
| Crider, Samuel Peter | 4 Feb 1926 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | |
| Crider, William B. | | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | |
| Crider, Zebulon | 19 May 1913 | Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States | |
| Curey, Elizabeth Jane | 7 Jun 1945 | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | |
| Foster, Rachel | | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | |
| Spaggi, William H | | Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, United States | |

At this time, I don't believe it is possible to create a custom report in RootsMagic 8. Thus, I can't create the report showing name, birth date, death date, burial place and burial place details.

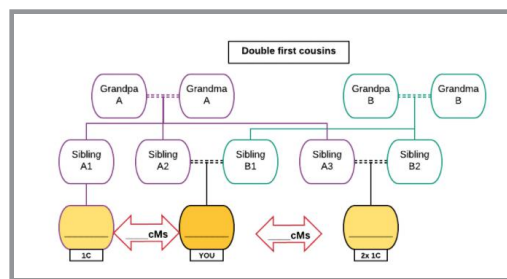
Good Fortune

Saturday, March 20, 2021

This week's #52 Ancestors blog prompt is 'Fortune'. At first, I didn't think I would be writing on this topic since I was looking at the term as a monetary term and my family has no fortune.

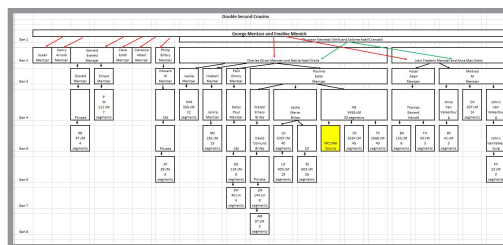
Then I encountered the blog post Double Cousins and DNA on The DNA Geek site and realized that I am fortunate to have numerous 1st thru 3rd cousin DNA matches. Thus, my 'fortune' is all of these cousin matches.

The DNA Geek is starting a project to study DNA results when double cousins are involved. To begin the study they are seeking data for a specific set of cousin matches. Below is a diagram showing the desired matches in the yellow-orange.

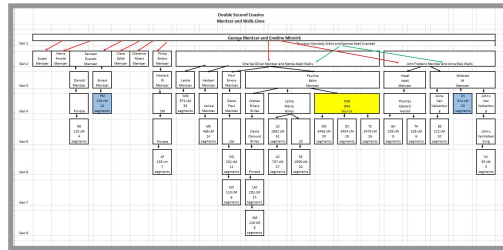


Well, I do have double cousins. My great-grandfather, Charles Mentzer married Nettie Wells. Charles' brother, John Frederick Mentzer married Anna Wells, the sister of Nettie. When I first studied the above diagram, I was pretty sure I could come up with the double cousin match, but didn't think I had the 1st cousin match.

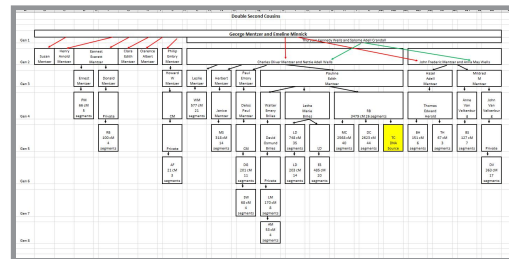
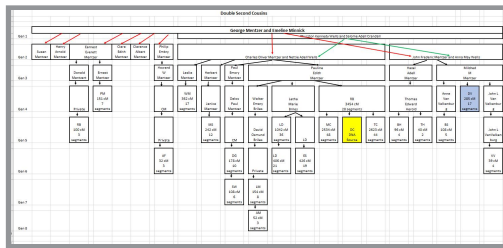
Knowing that I had quite a few MENTZER matches, I had to diagram it out. So I started drawing out my MENTZER/WELLS line and added my DNA matches. I am the yellow square in the diagram below.



When I compared my diagram to the one from the blog, I realized that I am not in the generation they wanted for this initial study. Since I manage my mother's DNA, I drew out the family and added her matches. Studying that diagram, I realized that I do have data for the desired cousin matches!



Curious about what the diagram would be like for my brothers, I also drew out their matches.



Even though my data is for second cousins and not 1st cousins, I'm ready with lots of data when they are ready to receive it.

Prime Meridian

Sunday, March 21, 2021

Well, it was time for another road trip yesterday. Like our previous road trip, this was to a destination that did not require us to be around a lot of people. Instead of going to a wildlife refuge, we ventured out into rural Kansas looking for a survey marker.

This isn't just any survey marker. It is the one that established the sixth principal meridian at the junction with the 40th parallel base line. This survey marker was the 'Point of Beginning' for land surveys in Kansas and Nebraska. It was established in 1855 by U.S. Surveyors Charles A. Manners and Joseph Ledlie.

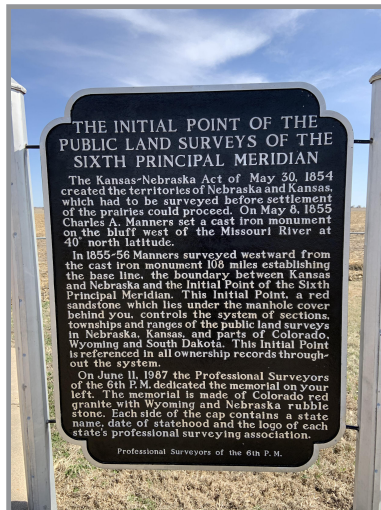


Manhole Cover – Red Sandstone marker under the cover

On the west side of the road is a benchmark or a U.S. Coast and Geodetic triangulation station.



The importance of this 'spot in the road' to land owners in Kansas and Nebraska and beyond was recognized by area surveyors. They created a 'monument' to tell the story of this spot.



Pictured below is my husband standing next to the 1987 memorial.



For others that would like to make a similar road trip, this marker is 1 mile west and 1 mile north of the town of Mahaska, Kansas.

For further information on the public land system, the 6th principal meridian and this marker, check out the following sites:

- [Public Land Survey System \(Wikipedia\)](#)
- [Sixth Principal Meridian \(The Center for Land Use Interpretation\)](#)
- [The Sixth Principal Meridian Mahaska, Kansas \(Kurt A. Luebke\)](#)
- [Kansas Surveying History \(Kansas Society of Land Surveyors\)](#)
- [Survey Marker \(Wikipedia\)](#)

Elusive Eliza

Monday, March 22, 2021

In my quest to figure out whether the Howard Hutchinson who drowned in the Missouri River is a son of Albert Hutchinson and thus a brother to my great-grandmother, Winnie Hutchinson Currey, I thought I might try finding him living with Albert's second wife, Eliza.

Since she was married six times Eliza goes by many names.

- Honor L. Vanvolkenberg married Henry H Nolen in March of 1885 in Doniphan County, Kansas
- Miss Eliza Valkenburg married Albert Hutchinson in 1893 in Buchanan County, Missouri. Albert died in 1896 leaving Eliza a widow with a young son, Elmer. Elmer was born in 1895.
- Honor E Hutchins married Samuel King in November 1898 in St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri
- Eliza Nolan married John McColgin in Aug 1900 in St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri
- Mrs Eliza McColgin married Oceola Phay in May 1906 in St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri
- Osceola Phay sought to break marital ties with Eliza Phay in the fall of 1923 as reported in the St. Joseph newspaper
- According to the Find a Grave site for Honore Eliza Van Volkenburg Schleining, she married Daniel Schleining in 1930.

These many names make finding Eliza difficult. I did find one newspaper article that places a Howard Hutchinson in the home of an Eliza King.

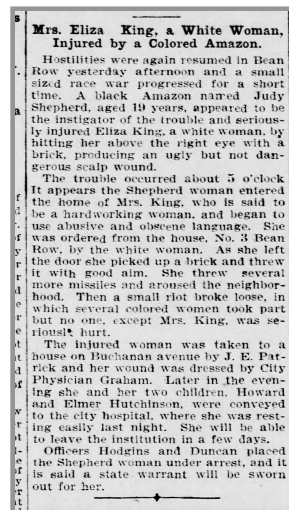
More Trouble in Bean Row

Mrs. Eliza King, a White Woman
Injured by a Colored Amazon

Hostilities were again resumed in Bean Row yesterday afternoon and a small sized rce war progressed for a short time. A black Amazon named Judy Shepherd, aged 19 years, appeared to be the instigator of the trouble and seriously injured Eliza King, a white woman, by hitting her above the right eye with a brick, producing an ugly but not dangerous scalp wound.

The trouble occurred about 5 o'clock. It appears the Shepherd woman entered the home of Mrs. King, who is said to be a hardworking woman, and began to use abusive and obscene language. She was ordered from the house No. 3 Bean Row, by the white woman. As she left the door she picked up a brick and threw it with good aim. She threw several more missiles and aroused the neighborhood. Then a small riot broke loose, in which several colored women took part but no one, except Mrs. King, was seriously hurt. The injured woman was taken to a house on Buchanan avenue by J. E. Patrick and her wound was dressed by City Physician Graham. Later in the evening she and her two children, Howard and Elmer Hutchinson, were conveyed to the city hospital, where she was resting easily last night. She will be able to leave the institution in a few days. Officers Hodgins and Duncan placed the Shepherd woman under arrest, and it is said a state warrant will be sworn out for her.

"More Trouble in Bean Row," *The St. Joseph Herald (St. Joseph, Missouri)*, 13 October



The above article is for an Eliza King, which is Eliza's married name in 1899. It also places both a Howard and an Elmer Hutchinson in the household. There is a Samuel R. King living at 3 Bean Row in the Combe Printing Company's 1900 directory for St. Joseph. Unfortunately, it appeared that wives were not listed in this particular directory.

An earlier directory listed the inhabitants of Bean Row. I was able to use that list to locate one of those inhabitants in the 1900 census. This allowed me to verify that neither Eliza nor any of her family members were listed as an occupant of any house on Bean Row.

The above article is the only document showing a tie between a Howard Hutchinson and any member of Albert Hutchinson's family. This supports that there was a Hutchinson son named Howard. Unfortunately, it does not help prove that the Howard Hutchinson who drowned is the same person as the Howard Hutchinson mentioned in this article.

Thus, there is more digging to do.

Briles Disabled

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Noah Briles' pension file contains several documents that indicate that he was disabled during service in the civil war. This disability likely contributed to his death at the age of 39.

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General Affidavit

State of Nebraska, County of Fillmore ss,

In the matter of Noah W. Briles deceased applicant for pension of his widow

On this 18th day of April A.D. 1887, personally appeared before me Clerk of Dist Court In and for the aforesaid County duly authorized to administer oaths, Joseph H Shrimmer aged 51 years, a resident of [Bryant] in the County of Fillmore and State of Nebraska whose post office address is Shickley Fillmore Nebraska

well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declared in relation to aforesaid case as follows:

That was well acquainted with Noah W. Briles Farrier in Co "I" 1st Regt of Iowa Cavalry that he was a good and faithful soldier and that he always performed his duties as such and that while shoeing horses at or near [Hiamstead] Texas he became over heat and was sick for some time and that he contracted camp or chronic diarrhea from which he did not recover during the time he remained in service.

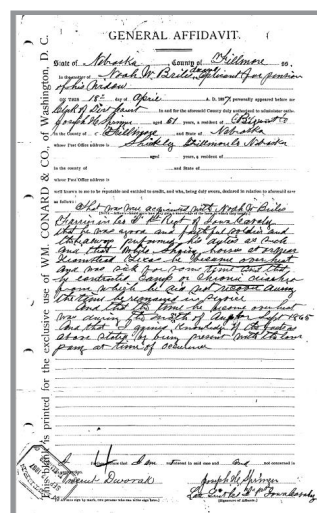
And that the time he became over heat was during the month of Aug or Sept 186 and that I gained knowledge of the facts as above stated by being present with the [lone pary] at time of occurrence

I further declare that I am not interest in said case and not concerned in its prosecution.

Joseph H Sprimer

Late Leut Co "I" 1st Iowa Cavalry

Vincent Dvorak



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War Department

Adjutant General's Office

331,920

Washington Mch 20, 1886

Respectfully returned to the Commissioners of Pensions.

Noah W. Briles a Private of Company "I" 1st Regiment Iowa Cav. Volunteers, was enrolled on the 13th day of June, 1861, at Ottumwa 3 years and is reported: On rolls from Enrollment, to Dec. 31/65 present. He re enlisted as a vet vol. Jan'y 1 /64. Mustered out with Co. a Farrier at Austin, Texas. Feby 15 /66.

Regtl. Hospl. records show him admitted August 17/63 with Remit Fever & sent to Genl Hospl same date.

Co. mg reports show him June 8.63 returned to Co. Aug. 18.63 sent to Hospl at Clarendon Ark.

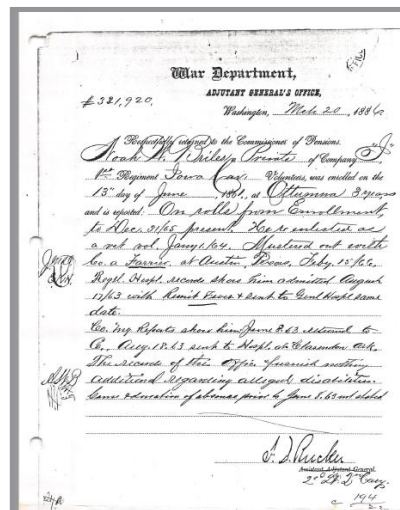
The records of this office furnish nothing additional regarding alleged disabilities.

Cause & duration of absence paid to June 8.63 not stated

F. S. Rucker

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West Div.

E.D.C. ex'r

No. 331,920

Department of the Interior

Pension Office

Oct. 31, 1885

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you will furnish from the recors of the War Department a full report as to the service, disability, and hospital treatment of

Noah W. Briles, who it is claimed, enlisted

June 13, 1861 and served as Pvt

in Co. I 1st Reg't Iowa Cav.; also in Co. , **and was discharged at not stated, 18- While serving in Co. , Reg't**, he was disabled by

chronic diarrhea and disability from over heat while shoeing horses at Houston, Texas (time not given)

and was treated in hospitals of which the names, locations and dates of treatment are as

follows:
None given
Very respectfully,
John C. Black
Commissioner
The Adjutant General, U.S. Army

WILL Do. 636, Rev. No. 331,920. Department of the Interior, PENSION OFFICE, Oct. 31, 1885.

Widow, SIR:

I have the honor to request that you will furnish from the records of the War Department a full report as to the service, disability, and hospital treatment of Nash W. Beale, who, it is claimed, enlisted June 12, 1861, and served as Boat in Co. B, 1st Regt. Iowa Geo., also in Co. _____

and was discharged at Archuleta, Sept _____, 18____.

While serving in Co. _____, he was disabled by chronic diarrhoea and disability from overheat while shoring houses at Shreveport, Louisiana (from neglect); also _____

and was treated in hospitals of which the names, location, and dates of treatment are as follows: _____

Very respectfully, John C. Black, Commissioner.

The Adjutant General, U. S. Army. 154-2823

Crider Brothers

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

Do you ever 'stumble upon' a piece of information that leads to an interesting tidbit of a community's history? That's what happened when I was working the leaf hints on my Ancestry tree for the descendants of my 3rd great grandfather, Zebulon Foster.

The hint lead to the obituary of Mrs. Anna N. Crider, widow of Zebulon F. Crider. Even though Zebulon F. Crider is my first cousin 3 times removed, I did not know much about him other than that he was the son of Rachel Foster and grandson of Zebulon Foster. It was Anna's obituary that mentioned the Crider Commission Company.

Mrs. Anna N. Crider

Widow of Commission Firm Executive Dies in Butler, Mo

Mrs. Anna N. Crider, 84 years old, a long-time resident of Kansas City, died yesterday at a nursing home in Butler, Mo. where she had lived for the last several months.

She was the widow of Zebulon F. Crider, until his death in 1913, the president of the Crider Commission company here. She was born in Hannibal, Mo., and had lived here most of her life, with the exception of a few years spent in St. Louis. Mrs. Crider was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She leaves two nieces Mrs. Ira Peterson, 4316 the Paseo and Mrs. Elmer Kensuick, Los Angeles.

Funeral services will beheld at 10 o'clock Wednesday at the Newcomer chapel.

"Mrs. Anna N. Crider," *The Kansas City Star (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 9 October 1951, page 32; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 4 March 2021).

Curious about the Crider Commission Company, I did some 'googling' to find that it was actually called the Crider Brothers Commission Company located in the stock yards of Kansas City, Missouri. The officers of the company included Zeb F. Crider, President, S. P. Crider, Vice-President and C. P. Crider, Treasurer. The company sold cattle, hogs and sheep on consignment.



Armed with death dates, I then went searching for obituaries for these brothers. Zebulon's obituary is the most informative of the three.

A Pioneer Stockman Dead

Zeb F. Crider Had Spent Twenty-Eight Years in Business Here

Zebulon Foster Crider, 56 years old, president of the Crider Brothers Live Stock Commission Company of Kansas City, died at noon yesterday at the German Hospital, where he had been sick for eight weeks.

Mr. Crider came to Kansas City from Chicago twenty-eight years ago. Prior to that time he had been engaged in the live stock business at the Union Stock Yards. He has been one of the leading factors in making Kansas City the second largest live stock market in the world.

He was born on a farm in Warren County, Indiana, September 1, 1857. He attended the common schools in his county until 16 years old, when he entered the Grand Prairie Seminary at Onarga, Ill., graduating from there in 1877. The next eight years he spent in Chicago. He was married while there.

Mr. Crider was a member of Temple Lodge, No. 295, A.F. and A.M. Oriental Chapter, No. 102, the Council Oriental Commandery, No. 35. He was a thirty-second degree Mason and a Shriner. He was also a charter member of the Kansas City Live Stock Exchange. At his request the Scottish Rite Masons will conduct the funeral service at Scottish Rite Hall, Fifteenth Street and Troost Avenue at 9 o'clock Tuesday night. Burial will be private and at Forest Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Crider is survived by the widow and a son, George, 16 years old; his mother in Onarga, Ill.; his sisters, Mrs. Mollie I Whipple, Leocompton, Kas.; Mrs. Dora E. Van Nest, Lawrence, Kas.; Mrs. Minnie B. Anderson, Donovan, Ill., and his brothers, S. P. Crider 2208 Olive Street, and C. P. Crider, 3217 Washington Street, Kansas City.

"A Pioneer Stockman Dead," *The Kansas City Times (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 19 May 1913, page 2; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 4 March 2021).

Charles Crider's obituary provides less information about the Crider Brothers Commission Company. However, it does provide a couple of clues for learning more about their lives as 'commission men.'

Charles P. Crider Dead

End Comes to Commission Man After Several Months' Illness

Charles P. Crider, 63 years old, 3640 Pennsylvania avenue, president of the Crider Brothers Commission Company, died today at St. Joseph's hospital after an illness of several months.

Mr. Crider was a veteran member of the Kansas City Livestock Exchange, and was one of the most widely known commission men in Kansas City. He was a charter member of the Kansas City Athletic Club, a member of the Hoof and Horn Club and Temple lodge No. 299, A. F. and A. M.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ethel Crider, a son, Charles P. Crider, jr. and a daughter, Esther Crider of the home; three sisters Mrs. C. W. Anderson, Onarga, Ill.; Mrs. H. G. Van Neste and Mrs M. E. Whipple, both of Lawrence, Kas.

Funeral service will be at 3 o'clock Monday at the Newcomer chapel and burial will be in Forest Hill Cemetery.

"Charles P. Crider Dead," *The Kansas City Star (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 20 February 1926, page 2; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 4

March 2021).

The obituary for Samuel Crider was even less informative.

Crider – Samuel Crider, 63 years old, died today at Castle Rest Home, 9600 Van Horn road. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Nancy Crider, Berkeley hotel, 315 West Thirty-eighth street; two daughters, Miss Bess Crider, Berkeley hotel, and Mrs. Robert F. Lakeman, Hollywood, Cal., and a brother C. P. Crider, 3610 Pennsylvania avenue.

“Deaths in Greater Kansas City,” *The Kansas City Star (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 2 February 1926, page 2; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 4 March 2021).

An advertisement in the 26 January 1900 issue of the *Kansas City Star* not only provide a market report but also insight into the workings of the Crider Brothers Commission Company.

“Crider Brothers Commission Company,” *The Kansas City Star (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 26 January 1900, page 8; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 4 March 2021).

As I was researching the Crider Brothers Commission Company and the Kansas City Stockyards, I found that the Kansas City Public Library received a grant to process a collection of historical documents from the Kansas City Stockyard. The post, *Kansas City Cattle King: Relics of the Stockyards*, provides additional information on this project.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, March 25, 2021

Four generations of the Briles family



This picture is from the photos my grandma Briles left me. The handwriting is likely hers. So who is in this picture?

- Boy – Walter Emery Briles (1917-1982)
- Man behind boy – Edward Osmund Briles (1891-1956)
- Young child – Letha Marie Briles Doolittle (1924-2012)
- Man holding child – Edward Grant Briles (1869-1951)
- Woman – Sarah Jane Thompson Briles (1843-1930)

Leota Lorraine

Friday, March 26, 2021

Do you have an actor or actress in your tree? My answer to that question would have been 'NO'. However, while doing some descendency research, I discovered a cousin, a second cousin twice removed, who was an actress: Leota Lorraine Crider.

This little detail was included in an article in The Kansas City Star announcing her marriage.

Robert F. Lakenan, Jr. Wed.

Leota Crider, Film Actress, Whose Parents Live Here, Is the Bride

Leota Lorraine Crider, moving picture actress, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel P. Crider, 3506 Robert Gillham road, was married yesterday to Robert F. Lakenan, jr., in Pasadena, Cal., a telegram to her parents says.

Robert Lakenan, jr, is vice-president of the Ridge Estate Company. He lives at 32 West Armour boulevard. The marriage was a complete surprise, Mrs. Crider said today, and no details of the future plans of the Lakenans was included in the telegram.

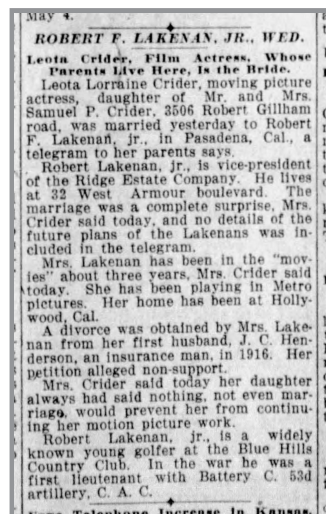
Mrs. Lakenan has been in the "movies" about three years, Mrs. Crider said today. She has been playing in Metro pictures. Her home has been at Hollywood, Cal.

A divorce was obtained by Mrs. Lakenan from her first husband, J. C. Henderson, an insurance man, in 1916. Her petition alleged non-support.

Mrs. Crider said today her daughter always said nothing, not even marriage, would prevent her from continuing her motion picture work.

Robert Lakenan jr., is a widely known young golfer at the Blue Hills Country Club. In the war he was a first lieutenant with Battery C. 53d artillery, C. A. C.

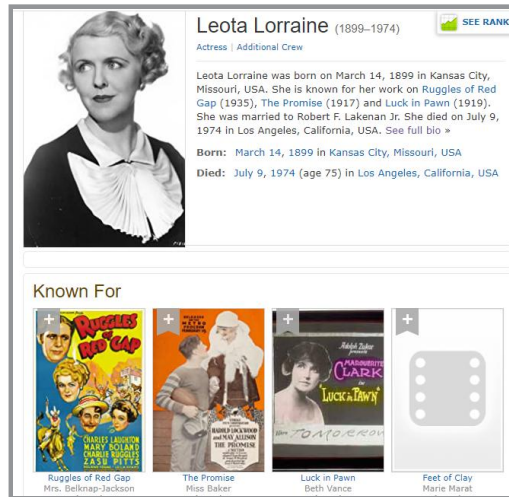
"Robert F. Lakenan, Jr Wed," *The Kansas City Star (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 18 May 1920, page 1; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 9 March 2021).



Curious about her acting career, I did some searching on Google and found the following:

- Leota Lorraine biography on Wikipedia
- Leota Lorraine biography on the IMDb

- Extensive list of film credits for Leota Lorraine



Then I returned to newspapers to see if I could find an obituary. Since she died in Los Angeles, I started looking for an obituary in the Los Angeles papers and found a very brief obituary.

Lakenan, (Leota Lorraine), loving mother of (Nancy Duke) Simpson, loving grandmother of Gregory Royce Simpson.
 Interment in Kansas City, Mo.
 Bresee Brothers & Gillette local directors

"Lakenan, (Leota Lorraine)," *The Los Angeles Times* (Los Angeles, California), 11 July 1974, page 67; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 10 March 2021).

When I searched the Kansas City papers, I did not find her obituary. However, when I removed the date criteria from the search, I found several articles about Leota Lorraine Crider Lakenan and her messy divorce.

- "On 'Reefs' of Hollywood," *The Kansas City Times* (Kansas City, Missouri), 13 September 1923, page 7; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 10 March 2021).
- "Lakenans May Fight in Court," *The Kansas City Times* (Kansas City, Missouri), 1 October 1923, page 4; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 10 March 2021).
- "First Drink from Husband," *The Kansas City Times* (Kansas City, Missouri), 16 July 1926, page 2; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 10 March 2021).
- "Mrs. Robert F. Lakenan, Jr., Wins Divorce," *The Kansas City Times* (Kansas City, Missouri), 5 November 1927, page 5; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 10 March 2021).

I also found an article about Leota Lorraine's appearance in 'The Turning Point'.

Leota Lakenan in Film Here Next Week

Leota Crider Lakenan, film actress and former Kansas City girl, appears as a principal in a photoplay to be featured at the New Royal theater next week. Mrs. Lakenan, whose screen name is Loretta Lorraine, plays in support of Katherine McDonald, motion picture

star, in a production entitled "The Turning Point," from the novel by Robert W. Chambers. Mrs. Lakenan has been doing pictures for four years. She attended Westport high school, Missouri university and dramatic school in Chicago. She has played supports for several stars and leads in Charles Ray's comedies.

A few months ago she was married in Los Angeles to Robert Lakenan, jr. former Kansas City club man. Mr. Lakenan served in the war as a captain in the 35th division. Mr. and Mrs. Lakenan are keeping house in Hollywood Cal., and it is reported Mr. Lakenan has interests in western film concern.

Mrs. Lakenan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Crider, Thirty-fifth street and Robert Gillham road. They are spending the summer with their daughter in Hollywood. Mr. Crider is a member of the Lee Livestock Commission firm in the city.

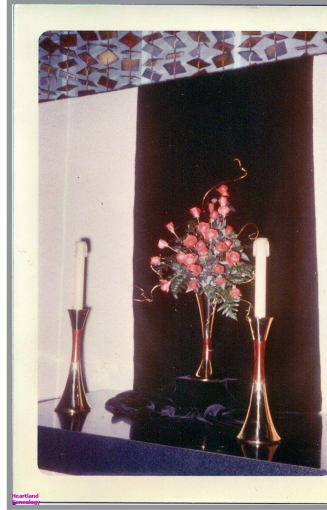


Thanks to my curiosity about the words "film actress" in the marriage announcement, I have learned a lot about my cousin, Leota Lorraine Crider Lakenan.

Uncle LR

Saturday, March 27, 2021

#52Ancestors – week 12 Loss



Altar Flowers in Memory of LR Crawford

Is there a family event from your childhood that left a mark on your life, but one that happened when you were too young to really remember the impact?

For me, that would be the death of my uncle, Leon Russel Crawford II, or uncle LR. LR was my dad's brother.

I have very few memories of uncle LR. I remember that his place at my grandparents table was at the end opposite my grandmother. Another memory I have is of his room and his radio equipment. At a young age, my uncle received his ham radio license and had quite the setup in his room off of the kitchen.

Evidently, LR spent a lot of time with myself and my two brothers. My mom commented once that he was a life saver the summer we (as in all three of us) had the measles and then the chicken pox. My dad was away for 'summer school' and mom was overwhelmed with three sick kids (ages 7, 5 1/2 and 2) for most of the summer. She told me that LR sat with us on the 4th of July as we watched the fireworks from the living room window.

However, I do remember being awakened from sleep when I was almost 9 to be told that my uncle was very sick. My dad and his parents were leaving that night to go to Wisconsin where he was a graduate student. I remember crying because I wanted to go with them. Later, I vaguely remember my mother telling me that my uncle had died and that dad and my grandparents were on their way home.

I'm not sure whether it was standard procedure at the time, but I and my brothers did not attend his funeral. Instead, we spent the day, along with other kids with parents attending the funeral, in the care of a neighbor. I was allowed to attend the 'flower' ceremony where they read off the names of everyone who donated flowers.

My grandmother's devastation at the death of her son is evident in the picture of her and her siblings on the day of the funeral.



Mary Walters, Myrtle Jones, Earnest Currey, my grandmother Winnie Crawford, and Alma Taylor

First Born

Sunday, March 28, 2021

#SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) Lorine McGinnis Schulze, in her blog post “ Who Was Your First Canadian or American Born Ancestor?” asked that question.2) Let’s broaden it a bit to “Who was your first ancestor born in your chosen county, state, province, or country?” based on your known ancestry.

To tackle this task, I elected to put my computer to work to pull the data for me. For this task, I used my genealogy software program, RootsMagic, and Excel.

In RootsMagic, I

- created a group of my ancestors going back 10 generations
- created a custom report with the name, birth date and birth place
- ran the custom report for my marked group of ancestors
- saved the report as a text file

In Excel, I

- opened the text file and indicated that a comma was a delimiter (to separate the columns)
- manually inserted cells where needed to get the states to line up in one column
- inserted a column for the year of birth
- used a formula to pull the year from the birth date (right 4 characters)
- sorted the data by state and year
- copy / pasted the ancestor with the earliest birthdate for each state into a new spreadsheet
- took a screen shot of that spreadsheet
- inserted the screenshot into this post

| | A | B | C | D | E |
|----|------------|-----------------|------|----------------|--------|
| 1 | Name | | Year | State | |
| 2 | White | Nathaniel | 1652 | Connecticut | |
| 3 | Hammond | Isaac | 1668 | Massachusetts | |
| 4 | Flewelling | Thomas | 1673 | New York | |
| 5 | Thurston | Edward | 1679 | Rhode Island | |
| 6 | Christy | Samuel | 1700 | Virginia | |
| 7 | Cross | Sarah | 1716 | Maryland | |
| 8 | Barr | James | 1743 | Pennsylvania | |
| 9 | Gallimore | William | 1776 | North Carolina | |
| 10 | Story | Sarah | 1789 | Kentucky | |
| 11 | Harding | William Gillies | 1803 | New Brunswick | Canada |
| 12 | Crawford | Nelson G. | 1808 | Ohio | |
| 13 | Smith | Martha | 1815 | Indiana | |
| 14 | Currey | Hiram M. | 1835 | Illinois | |
| 15 | Currey | Hiram Miles | 1866 | Missouri | |
| 16 | Briles | Edward Grant | 1869 | Kansas | |
| 17 | Hutchinson | Winnie Mae | 1871 | Iowa | |

Zebulon Foster Descendants

Monday, March 29, 2021

1. Zebulon Foster

b: 19 Aug 1808, Pike, Ohio, United States

d: 5 Sep 1889, Warren, Indiana, United States

+ Caroline Ostrander

b: 23 Mar 1814, Ross, Ohio, United States

m: 14 Feb 1833, Pike, Ohio, United States

d: 3 Jun 1871, Warren, Indiana, United States

..... 11. Edward Foster

b: 20 Nov 1833, Warren, Indiana, United States

d: 6 Jun 1908, Armstrong, Vermilion, Illinois, United States

..... + Sarah Ann Tillotson

b: 15 Jan 1834

m: 24 Aug 1856, Vermilion, Illinois, United States

d: 6 Aug 1907, Urbana, Champaign, Illinois, United States

..... 111. Buel T Foster

b: 2 Jan 1857, Warren, Indiana, United States

d: 11 Jan 1950, Indianapolis, Marion, Indiana, United States

..... 112. Horace Foster

b: abt 1858, Illinois, United States

d: 4 Nov 1860

..... 113. Caroline Foster

b: abt 1859, Illinois, United States

d: 10 Sep 1860

..... 114. Sarah L. Foster

b: 1861, Illinois, United States

d: 1873

..... 115. Edwin Stanton Foster

b: abt 1862, Illinois, United States

d: 14 Oct 1950, Armstrong, Vermilion, Illinois, United States

..... 116. Zebulon Foster

b: abt 1864, Illinois, United States

d: 18 Mar 1939, Jacksonville, Morgan, Illinois, United States

..... 117. Mary Foster

b: abt 1867, Illinois, United States

d: 23 May 1912

..... 118. Edward Foster Jr

b: 19 Aug 1869, Illinois, United States

d: 28 Mar 1951, Grant, Indiana, United States

..... 119. Theodore T. Foster

b: 13 Oct 1870, Illinois, United States

d: 18 Jun 1941

..... 11A. Lillian Foster

b: abt 1873, Illinois, United States

d: 18 Dec 1880

..... 11B. William G. Foster

b: 2 Nov 1877, Armstrong, Vermilion, Illinois, United States

d: 28 Apr 1940, Middlefork Township, Vermilion, Illinois, United States

. 12. **Rachel Foster**
 b: 20 May 1837, Indiana, United States
 d: 22 Apr 1921, Onarga, Iroquois, Illinois, United States
 + **William B. Crider**
 b: 10 Apr 1829, Ohio, Kentucky, United States
 m: 22 Oct 1856, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 15 Feb 1898, Onarga Township, Iroquois, Illinois, United States
 121. **Zebulon Crider**
 b: 1 Sep 1857, Indiana, United States
 d: 18 May 1913, Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri, United States
 122. **Mary Crider**
 b: abt 1859, Illinois, United States
 d: 1931
 123. **Samuel Peter Crider**
 b: 25 Mar 1862, Illinois, United States
 d: 2 Feb 1926, Jackson, Missouri, United States
 124. **Charles P. Crider**
 b: 26 Jan 1863, Illinois, United States
 d: 20 Feb 1926
 125. **Minnie Crider**
 b: 18 Jun 1865, Onarga Township, Iroquois, Illinois, United States
 d: 13 May 1954
 126. **Dora Crider**
 b: 11 Jan 1871, Illinois, United States
 d: 13 Dec 1957
 + **J. C. Briggs**
 m: abt 1906

 13. **Eliza W. Foster**
 b: abt 1840, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 1926
 + **George T. Bell**
 b: 15 Oct 1837, Indiana, United States
 m: 13 Feb 1859, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 2 Jan 1917, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 131. **Mary A. Bell**
 b: 31 Jul 1860
 d: 4 Sep 1860, Warren, Indiana, United States
 132. **Frankie Bell**
 b: 29 Nov 1861
 d: 24 Aug 1863
 133. **Carrie Foster Bell**
 b: 11 Jan 1864, Illinois, United States
 d: 24 Nov 1934, Hillsboro, Fountain, Indiana, United States
 134. **Hattie Bell**
 b: 5 Dec 1864
 d: 28 Sep 1867, Warren, Indiana, United States
 135. **Charles S Bell**
 b: Aug 1866, Wellington, Iroquois, Illinois, United States
 d: 1949, Lake, Illinois, United States
 136. **Laura E Bell**
 b: 22 Dec 1871, Wellington, Iroquois, Illinois, United States

d: 6 Apr 1936, Danville, Vermilion, Illinois, United States
 137. **Rosie Bell**
 b: 6 May 1877
 d: 13 Sep 1878
 138. **Grace Bell**
 b: 3 May 1879
 d: 15 Jan 1882, Pike Township, Warren, Indiana, United States

..... 14. **Mary Foster**
 b: 28 Aug 1842, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 21 Jan 1929, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 + **Washington Marion Crawford**
 b: 21 Apr 1838, Warren, Indiana, United States
 m: 4 Mar 1860, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 23 Aug 1889, Fort Dodge, Ford, Kansas, United States
 141. **Ida Kate Crawford**
 b: 18 Dec 1862, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 7 Mar 1934, Tacoma, Pierce, Washington, United States
 142. **Judson Foster Crawford**
 b: 15 Apr 1866, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 19 Feb 1949, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 143. **Carrie A Crawford**
 b: 10 Feb 1870, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 20 Jul 1886, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 144. **Lida A Crawford**
 b: 22 Dec 1871, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 13 Dec 1945, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States
 145. **Nelson Garfield Crawford**
 b: 29 Oct 1881, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 10 May 1957, Dodge City, Ford, Kansas, United States

..... 15. **William F. Foster**
 b: Jun 1846, Indiana, United States
 d: 24 Nov 1907, Warren, Indiana, United States
 + **Carrie Briggs**
 b: abt 1853, Indiana, United States
 m: 4 Mar 1873, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 12 Dec 1899, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 151. **Eva Lucille Foster**
 b: 29 Jul 1880, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 30 Apr 1947, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 152. **Laura B Foster**
 b: Oct 1885, Indiana, United States
 d: 18 Dec 1908, Urbana, Champaign, Illinois, United States

..... 16. **Harriet Foster**
 b: 14 Oct 1848, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 4 Mar 1906, Watseka, Iroquois, Illinois, United States
 + **John J. Fleming**
 b: Oct 1844, Indiana, United States
 m: 17 Sep 1868, West Lebanon, Warren, Indiana, United States
 d: 1933, Iroquois, Illinois, United States

..... 161. **Nellie A. Fleming**
b: 6 Oct 1871, Illinois, United States
d: 8 Mar 1923
..... 162. **Lulu Bell Fleming**
b: 2 Feb 1874, Illinois, United States
d: 15 Apr 1897
..... 163. **Lala Bell Fleming**
b: 9 Feb 1873, Illinois, United States
d: 2 Nov 1952

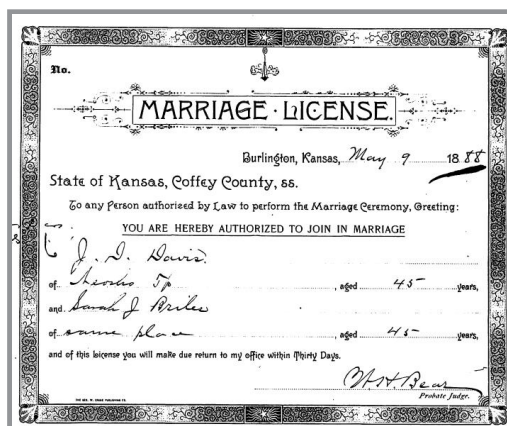
+ **Juliet Fleming**
m: 31 Aug 1876, Warren, Indiana, United States

Divorce

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

Going thru the pension file of Noah Washington Briles, I found a few hints about his wife's marriage and later divorce.

First was a copy of the marriage license for Sarah J. Briles and J. D. Davis from Coffey County Kansas. The license is dated 9 May 1888.



The second hint was in a claim Sarah Briles filed in 1917 to have her widow's pension restored. In that file, Sarah states she was divorced from Jeremiah Davis in September 1898.

Number 284667 Widow Claim

In the matter of the application of Sarah J. Briles, widow of Noah W. Briles late a member of Co. I 1st Iowa Cavalry Civil War.

Sarah J. Briles, of lawful age, being duly sworn upon her oath says:

In answer to the request for explanation concerning the name of applicant, I say:

I married the soldier Noah W. Briles, known also as Noah Washington Briles late a member of Co. I, 1st Iowa Cavalry, 1866. My name is Sarah J. Briles also known as Sarah Jane Briles. I was placed on the pension roll under certificate No. 284667 and continued as pensioner under said certificate until my marriage to J.D. Davis also known as Jeremiah D. Davis. I was divorced from said Jeremiah D. Davis, September 8th, 1898 and restored to my former name of Sarah J. Briles as shown by the decree of court attached hereto.

In the divorce proceedings he procured the divorce because I offered no resistance. I lived with Davis, raised his two small children. After that he was so cruel to me that I could not live with him. I left him and he later obtained the decree in 1898 as shown by the attached decree.

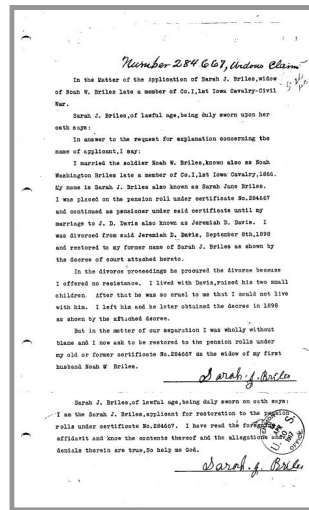
But in the matter of our separation I was wholly without blame and I now ask to be restored to the pension rolls under my old or former certificate No. 284667 as the widow of my first husband Noah W. Briles.

Sarah J. Briles

Sarah J. Briles, of lawful age, being duly sworn on oath says: I am the Sarah J. Briles, applicant for restoration to the pension rolls under certificate No. 284667. I have read the foregoing affidavit and know the contents thereof and the allegations and denials therein are true, So help me God.

Sarah J. Briles

Pension File for Noah Washington Briles (: U.S. Government).



Armed with that information, I was able to locate the divorce packet.

No. 3973

Jeremiah D. Davis Vs. Sarah J. Davis
filed 5 Sep 1898

State of Kansas
County of Coffey

In the District Court of said County

Jeremiah D. Davis plaintiff
vs
Sarah J Davis Defendent

Comes now the said plaintiff and complains of the said defendent and says that he has been an actual resident in good part of the state of Kansas for more than ten year last past and is now a bona fide resident of Coffey County, Kansas.

That said plaintiff and defendent were married to each other on the tenth day of May A.D. 1888 and have lived together as husband and wife ever since that time.

That plaintiff had, during all of said time conducted himself towards said defendent as a faithful and dutyful husband; yet the said defendant wholly disregarding her duties as a wife towards this plaintiff, has been guilty of gross neglect of duty towards this plaintiff during nearly all of

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said time; that said defendant has during nearly all of said time been in the hapit of 'gadding' about neglecting her household duties failing and refusing to get meals for plaintiff and was cross and abusive to plaitiffs children by a former wife, to such an extent that she drove them from the home of this plaintiff that the continuous neglect of defendant to perform her duties as a wife tothe plaintiff has rendered his life miserable that no children have been born to theplaintiff and defendant as the fruits of said marriage.

Whereupon plaintiff prays judgement against said defendant divorcing said plaintiff from said defendant and dissolving the marriage relations heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant and for such other and further relief as in equity and good conscience plaintiff may be entitled.

James Redmond

Atty for plaintiff

State of Kansas County of Coffey

Jeremiah D. Davis being first duly sworn on his oath says that he is the plaintiff in the within named action, that he has read the within and foregoing petition and knows the contents thereof and the several allegations the[re]

in stated are true in substance and in fact.

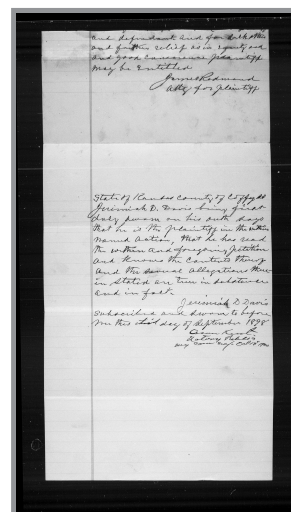
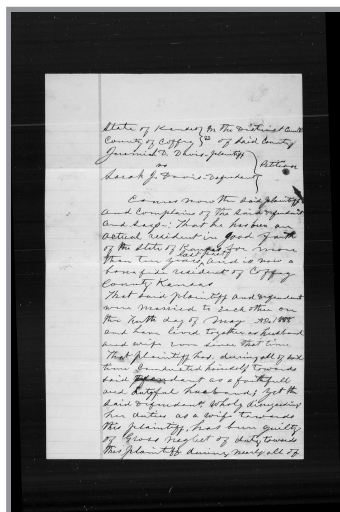
Jeremiah D. Davis

subscribed and sworn to before me this third day of September 1898

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Notary Public

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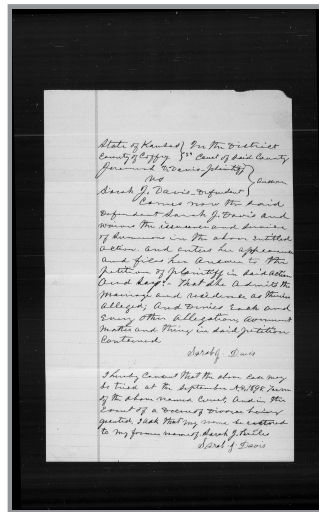
answer

Comes now the said defendant Sarah J. Davis and waives the issuance and service of summons in the above entitled action and enters her appearance and files her answer to the petition of plaintiff in said action and says that she admits the marriage and residence as therein alleged; and denies each and every other allegation [averment] matter and thing in said petition contained

Sarah J Davis

Thereby conduct that the above case may be tried at the September A.D. 1898 term of the above named court and in the event of a decree of divorce being granted I ask that

my name be restored to my former name of Sarah J. Briles.
Sarah J. Davis



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Jeremiah D. Davis, Plaintiff

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Sarah J Davis Defendent

And now on this 8th day of September A.D. 1898, at the regular September 1898 term of this court comes the said plaintiff in his own proper person and by James Redmond his attorney as comes the said defendant in her own proper person and this case having been reached and called for trial is by consent of the parties submitted to the court for trial upon the petition of the plaintiff, the answer of defendant and the evidence and [now] Court after hearing the evidence and argument of counsel and being fully advised in the promises do find for the plaintiff that several allegations in plaintiffs petition are true in manner and form as therein alleged and stated It is therefore considered by the court that this marriage relation heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant be and they are hereby dissolved and the plaintiff is hereby divorced from said defendant and it is further considered by the court that said plaintiff pay the costs of this action taxed at \$3.35 and himself let execution issue

And upon applicaiton of said

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defendant and good cause shown it is ordered and decreed that the said defendant be restored to her former name of Sarah J. Briles

It is further ordered that this decree shall not take effect for six months from this date so to allow either of said parties to any other person

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JP

Iowa First Cav

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Have you ever tracked an ancestor's military service thru the various battles? I have to admit this is something that I have not done.

As I was working with the pension file for my ancestor, Noah W. Briles, I became curious about his unit's service, particularly in Texas. Noah enlisted in Company I of the 1st Regiment of the Iowa Cavalry in June of 1861 for three years. When his time expired, he re-enlisted as a veteran volunteer on 1 January 1864. Noah was mustered out at Austin, Texas on 15 Feb 1866.

Since a document from the War Department indicates that Noah Briles took ill and was hospitalized on 17 Aug 1863 in Clarendon, Arkansas, I am trying to figure out where the unit was at that time along with how they ended up in Texas.

The Wikipedia article on the Iowa First Cavalry provides a synopsis of the military action of the unit. In August of 1862, the unit was in Arkansas.

On Aug. 18, **1862**, the army crossed the White River at Clarendon, Ark., and on the 27th was fought the Battle of Bayou Meto, in which the regiment took a prominent part, driving the enemy across the bayou and making a dashing charge to save the only bridge across that deep and miry stream from destruction. In this charge the regiment lost 1 killed and 36 wounded, 1 mortally. The regiment then took the advance of the cavalry in the move on Little Rock.

Wikipedia – https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1st_Iowa_Cavalry_Regiment

Unfortunately, the Wikipedia article leaves out most of 1863. Even though small text is used on their page, the National Parks page for the 1st Regiment, Iowa Cavalry contains more detail

Expedition from Huntsville to Buffalo River January 9-12, **1863**. At Lake Springs till April, **1863**. Operations against Marmaduke in Southeastern Missouri April 17-May 3. Jackson, Mo., April 27. Castor River, near Bloomfield, April 29. Bloomfield April 30. Chalk Bluffs, St. Francis River, April 30-May 1. At Lake Springs till July. ***Expedition against Little Rock, Ark., July 1-September 10.*** Expedition from Greensborough to Helena, Ark., July (Detachment). Brownsville, Ark., August 25. Near Bayou Metoe August 26. Reed's Bridge or Bayou Metoe August 27. Austin August 31. Ashley's Mills September 7. Bayou Fourche and capture of Little Rock September 10. Elizabethtown October 1. Vance's Store October 2. Expedition to Arkadelphia November 26-December 1. Reconnoissance from Little Rock December 5-13. Princeton December 6. Expedition to Camden December 15. Steele's Expedition to Shreveport, La., March 23-May 3, 1864.

National Park Service. 1st Regiment Iowa Cavalry – <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-battle-units-detail.htm?battleUnitCode=UIA0001RC>

Thus, the unit was in the vicinity of Little Rock, Arkansas when Noah Briles became ill. Recovering from his illness, Noah Briles was again with his unit when they were moved to Alexandria, Louisiana and then to Texas.

Moved to Alexandria, La., June 15-22; thence to Hemstead, Tex., August 8-26. Moved to Austin, Tex., October 20-November 4, and duty there till February, 1866. Mustered out February 15, 1866. Moved to Iowa February 19-March 12, and discharged March 16, 1866.

National Park Service. 1st Regiment Iowa Cavalr – <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/search-battle-units-detail.htm?battleUnitCode=UIA0001RC>

Instead of being mustered out at the end of the war, the First Iowa Cavalry joined other units at Alexandria, Louisiana to create the 2nd Cavalry Division.

Ultimately, the Iowans left Arkansas on February 12, 1865, for Tennessee, where the troops anticipated operations against Nathan Bedford Forrest's mounted guerrillas. Just as they found themselves in a position to acquire the national reputation that they knew they deserved, the war ended. Unfortunately, the end of the war did not mean the end of service for the First Iowa Cavalry. Instead of being mustered home, the Hawkeye horsemen were ordered to join the Twelfth and Fifth Illinois, Second Wisconsin, and Seventh Indiana cavalries at Alexandria, Louisiana, to create the Second Cavalry Division, Department of Texas, Division of the Gulf. The weary regiment was not finally mustered out of service until February 1866.

Crosson, David. The Martinet and the Mob. State Historical Society of Iowa. 1989. <https://ir.uiowa.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=9349&context=annals-of-iowa>

While in Texas, the commanding officer of the 2nd Cavalry Division was Major General George Armstrong Custer. While serving under Major General Custer, the Iowa troops felt that they were mistreated. After the 1st Iowa Cavalry was mustered out, the Iowa State House of Representatives passed a resolution condemning General Custer.

the committee concluded that the First Iowa Cavalry had "received from the hands of Major-General Custer . . . such ill treatment as no other Iowa soldiers have ever been called upon to endure; that such treatment or punishment was dishonorable to the General inflicting it, degrading to the name of American soldier, unworthy of the cause in which they were engaged, and in direct and flagrant violation of the laws, of Congress and the rules and articles of . . .

For decades afterwards, the collective memory of the former regiment remained embittered by the nightmare of service under Custer in Texas, and the veterans toiled diligently to expunge their record of this particularly unpleasant episode.

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It was only by trying to learn more about my great-great grandfather's service that I uncovered this information about the 1st Iowa Cavalry and General Custer. Unfortunately, I don't have any letters, diaries or other documents to help understand Noah Briles' role in this conflict between members of the 1st Iowa Cavalry and General

George Armstrong Custer.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, April 01, 2021

It's Holy Week, when we are preparing for Easter. Thus, today's photo is a throwback to the mid-60s.



Noah Washington Briles

Friday, April 02, 2021

Noah Washington Briles 1 was born in 1840 in Randolph, North Carolina, United States. 2– 12

Washington Briles is shown in the household of Alexr Briles on the 1850 census in Randolph County, North Carolina. According to the census, Washington was 10 years old and born in North Carolina. 13

N. W. Briles was listed in the household of A Briles on the 1860 census living in Coffey County, Kansas. According to the census, N. W. Briles was 20 years old and born in North Carolina. 14

He lived at the home of Wm Robertson in Highland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1861. 15

He enlisted on 13 Jun 1861 in Ottumwa, Wapello, Iowa, United States. 5, 15– 23

Noah served in the military as a private in Company I, 1st Regiment, Iowa Cavalry Volunteers. 24– 28

He re-enlisted as a veteran volunteer in Company I of the First Iowa Cavalry on 1 Jan 1864. 15

He lived at home of Wm Robertson in Highland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States between 1865 and 1866. 5, 15, 29

Noah mustered out on 15 Feb 1866 in Austin, Travis, Texas, United States. 15

He married Sarah Jane Thompson on 9 Aug 1866 in Ottumwa, Wapello, Iowa, United States. 3, 8, 30– 40

On 19 Mar 1868, Ida Angelina Briles was born in Wapello, Iowa, United States.

On 18 Jul 1869, Edward Grant Briles was born in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 41

He purchased W1/2 NE1/4 Section 20 Township 23 Range 15East from Alexander Briles and his wife, Sarah on 20 Sep 1869 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 42– 43

Noah Briles was listed on the 1870 census as a head of household living in California township, Coffey County, Kansas. According to the census, Noah was 28 years old and born in North Carolina. Noah was a farmer who had \$1000 in real estate. Noah was a farmer. 44– 46

N. W. Briles was listed as a head of household on the 1875 Kansas census living in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. According to the census, N. W. Briles was a 35 year old farmer who was born in North Carolina. N. W. Briles owned \$2000 in real estate. 47

He is listed as a landowner on an 1878 map in section 12 of township 23 range 15 East

in Coffey, Kansas, United States in 1878. 48

Noah died on 14 Jul 1879 at the age of 39 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 6– 7, 11– 12, 15, 49– 53

He was buried after 14 Jul 1879 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 7, 12, 54– 55

He had his estate probated on 12 Aug 1879 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 51, 56

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Band Member

Saturday, April 03, 2021

#52ancestors #Music

Is your family one of those blessed with lots of musical talent? If so, did you inherit any of that talent?

I would love to say that I have inherited some of my mother's musical talent, but I'm definitely a left brained person. I can figure out computer issues, but I don't have a musical ear. I'm sure my lack of musical talent frustrated my mother since she loved music.

In high school, mom played the French horn and was a member of a French horn quartet, and the orchestra.



Emporia High Orchestra

Mom was likely a member of the marching band. However, the picture that I thought was the marching band is actually of the Emporia Municipal Band. Below is information from the 5 June 1947 issue of the *Emporia Weekly Gazette* (Emporia, Kansas) about the band.

The Emporia Municipal band, directed by O. R. Parker, will be back on the job Friday evening with the first of the series of Friday evening concerts that will continue throughout the summer. The program and place for the first concert will be announced later.

Mr. Parker announced this week that the band had been recruited to full strength of 35 members with the addition of several veteran musicians.

Next Saturday morning the band will go to Cottonwood Falls where it will have a part in the Flint Hills Rodeo parade which will proceed from Cottonwood Falls to Strong City. The band has been designated the official band for the rodeo which will show Saturday afternoon and Sunday afternoon and evening. "Ten-gallon" hats have been ordered for the members of the band and they are expected to arrive in time for the parade and rodeo performance.

Harry Krueger continues as manager of the Municipal band. The board members are Tome Ford, Warren Phillips, Reuben Hammer, Dan Lewis and Jay Pierson. Darrell McDermed is the librarian and Mary Jo Ames is the drum major.



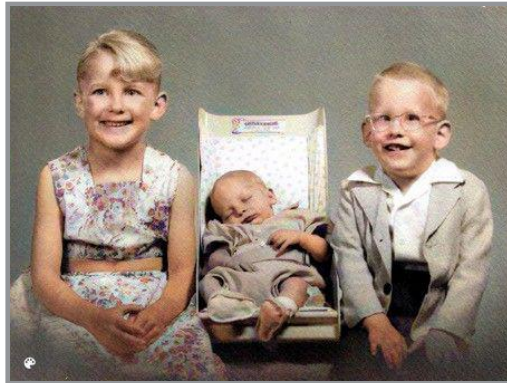
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Easter Outfits

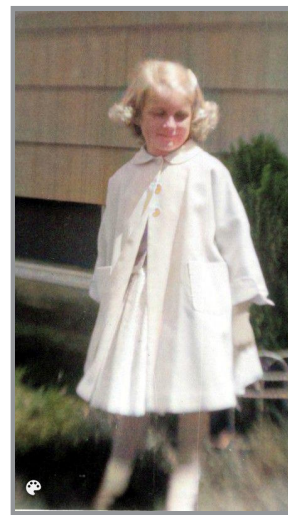
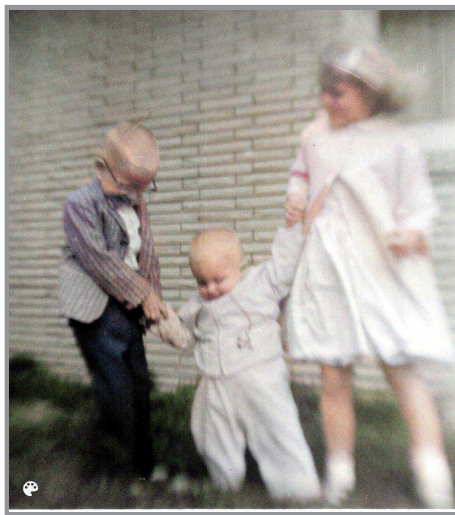
Sunday, April 04, 2021

Growing up, did you have something new to wear for Easter? Looking back at family photos, it appears that I and my brothers did have 'Easter' outfits.

I'm almost 5 – Possibly Easter time



I'm almost 6



I'm almost 8



Even though I think the 'Easter Outfits' tradition continued into our teens, the pictures of those outfits likely have not survived.

Ancestral Homes

Monday, April 05, 2021

#SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) Identify an ancestral home address (preferably one with a street address...) for one of your ancestral families (You do know where they lived, don't you? If not, consult the 1900 to 1940 US Census records, or City Directories).

2) Go to Google Maps (<http://maps.google.com>) and enter the street address (and city/town if necessary – usually you can pick from a list) for your selected ancestral home.

3) Look at the street map, the satellite map, and the street view. Zoom in or out, or manipulate the image as you wish.

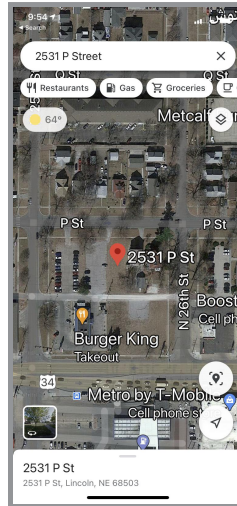
With this challenge, I'm going to state my 'handicaps' at the start.

- Many of my ancestral homes were on farms. Thus, they didn't have street addresses.
- Several of my ancestral homes have been torn down and replaced.

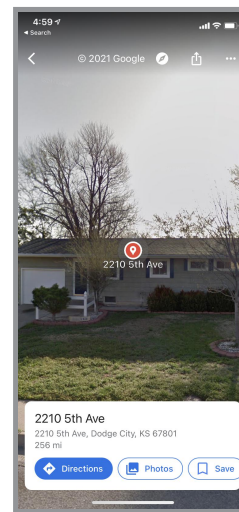
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2531 P St Lincoln – no photos of house – now a vacant lot



2210 N 5th Dodge City



Glasco – No address

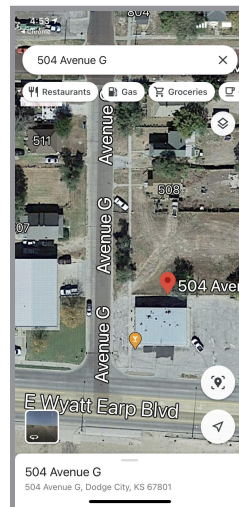


911 Second – Now a parking lot



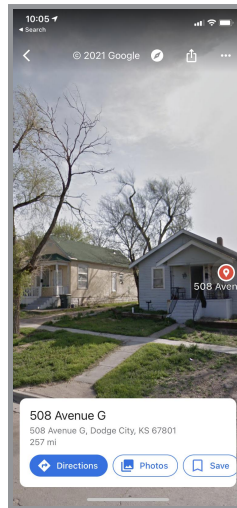
504 Avenue G –

I haven't found any photos of house. The location is now a business fronting on Wyatt Earp boulevard. What I learned from this exercise is that my grandparents lived very close to the railroad where my grandfather worked. The tracks are on the south side of Wyatt Earp Boulevard. The depot was a few blocks to the West.

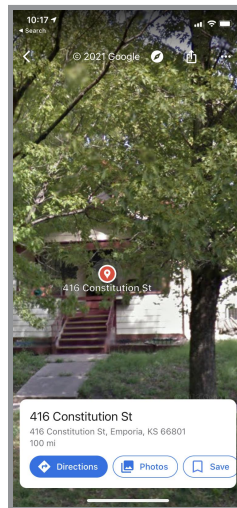


510 Avenue G Dodge City

Google doesn't recognize 510 Avenue G, but does mark a house at 508 Avenue G. The yellow house to the left of the white house is likely 510 Avenue G. (Note: the house that used to be at 504 Avenue G was likely similar to these houses.)



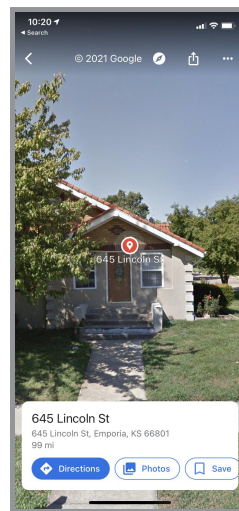
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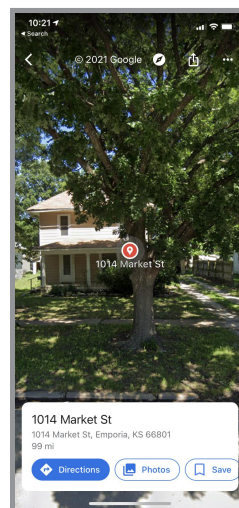
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1014 Market Emporia



Briles Homestead – Near Crandall, Kansas



I possibly have pictures of other family homesteads in the backgrounds of family photos. It will take some digging to locate those images.

Land and Divorce

Tuesday, April 06, 2021

Is it normal for a woman to have to purchase back her first husband's land from her second husband prior to divorcing her second husband?

That appears to be what happened with my second great grandmother, Sarah Jane Thompson Briles.

The land in question is the West half of the Northeast quarter of Section Twelve (12) in Township twenty three (23) of Range fifteen (15).

Timeline

- 1866 – Sarah Jane Thompson married Noah Washington Briles in Wapello County Iowa on 9 August 1866
- 1869 – Noah W. Briles purchased the land in question from his father, Alexander Briles.
- 1879 – Noah Briles died leaving his wife, Sarah and two children: Ida Angelina and Edward Grant Briles
- 1886 – In November, Sarah J. Briles mortgaged the land to W. H. Fear for \$150.00
- 1888 – In May, Sarah Briles married Jeremiah D. Davis
- 1888 – In November, the mortgage to W. H. Fear was paid off
- 1889 – In December, S. J. Davis and J.D. Davis and E. G. Briles mortgaged the land for \$165 to Angeline Myers (Angeline Briles Myers)
- 1896 – In July, the mortgage to Angeline Myers was paid off
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 - and the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of section thirty six (36) in township twenty two (22) of range fifteen (15)
- 1898 – In September, Jeremiah Davis was granted a divorce from Sarah J. Davis. Sarah J. Davis' name was restored to Sarah J. Briles
- 1901 – In July, Sarah J. Briles mortgaged the land in section 12 to R. Waldron for \$350
- 1910 – In March, the mortgage to R. Waldon had been paid off
- 1910 – In March, Sarah J. Briles sold the land in section 12 to H.E. Myers (first husband of Ida Angelina Briles)

Below is a transcription of the deed where Sarah J. Davis purchases the land from Jeremiah Davis.

Coffey County Kansas
Deed Book 51
Page 383

Warranty Deed
Jeremiah D Davis
To
Sarah J Davis

The State of Kansas

Coffey County

Filed for record on the 20th day of July A.D. 1898 at 4 o'clock p.m.

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This indenture made this 20 day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight between Jeremiah D Davis of the county of Coffey and state of Kansas of the first part, and Sarah J Davis of the same place, of the second part.

Witnesseth, that the party of the first part, in consideration of the sum of one thousand dollars to him duly paid has bargained and sold and by these presents does grant and convey unto the said party of the second part her heirs and assigns all that tract or parcel of land situated in Coffey County and State of Kansas and described as follows, to wit:

The West half of the North East quarter of Section Twelve (12) in Township Twenty Three (23) of Range fifteen (15) and the south west quarter of the south east quarter of section thirty six (36) in township twenty two (22) of range fifteen (15)

And the appurtenance, and all the estate, title and interest of the said party of the first part therein and that he will warrant and defend the same in the quiet and peaceable possession of eh said party of the second part, her heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims, mode or suffered by him but against none where in witness whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal, the day and year above written.

Jeremiah D Davis

In presence of

I R Stamp \$100 canceled

State of Kansas

Coffey County

On the 20th day of July AD 1888 before me a notary public in and for said County, personally came Jeremiah Davis to me personally known to be the same person whose name is affixed to the fore (going) conveyance as granter had he acknowledged the execution of the same.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal on the day and year last above written.

W H Gray

Notary Public

My Com expires May 16th 1899

Coffey County, Kansas, Deeds, Book 51 page 383, Jeremiah D Davis to Sarah J Davis, 20 July 1898; Recorder of Deeds, Burlington, Kansas.

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Sarah Briles Obituary

Wednesday, April 07, 2021

Do you ever find you have a record that you didn't think you had tucked away somewhere?

That's what happened with me. I didn't have a citation on Sarah Jane Thompson Briles' death for an obituary. I had even tried finding one online – with no luck. Thus, in the back of my mind was a 'to do' whenever archival type research returns.

Then, I was going thru my Briles notebook and transcribing some of the records and I found her obituary! It's just a transcript and my notations on it indicate that it was transcribed during my early days of research. Thus, I had found the obituary prior to having computer software to create citations. For some reason, that citation never got created until now.

Sarah J. Briles Dead

Mrs. Sarah Jane Briles died at the home of her daughter Mrs. E. C. Barr near Crandall Sunday August 17. Her death was caused by hardening of the arteries and she has been in poor health for more than a year and suffered much during the past few months. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Thompson pastor of the United Brethren church at Crandall Tuesday Aug 19 at 2:30. A quartet composed of Mrs. L. E. Crandall, Flora Schlichter, Dorin Levering and Elmer Thompson accompanied by Mrs. Thompson at the piano sang. Burial was in Big Creek cemetery by the side of her husband who died 51 years ago last month.

Mrs. Briles maiden name was Sarah Jane Thompson. She was born Aug 7, 1843 in Indiana. She was 87 years and 10 days old at the time of her death. She moved to Iowa with her parents when four years old and on Aug 3 1866 was married to N W Briles. They came to Kansas in 1867 and settled in Coffey county near Crandall. There her husband died and there death came to her. She joined th Baptist church in Iowa and after coming to the Crandall neighborhood transferred her membership to the United Brethren church there and remained active in that church until her death. Two children were left to mourn her loss, Ida Angeline Barr and Edward Grant Briles; also 9 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren and 3 sisters Belle Goudy of Nebraska, Anna Rickettes of Iowa and Martha Ingersoll of Kansas. She joined the Crandall church in 1867 and spent 63 years in active service.

"Sarah J. Briles Dead", *Leroy Reporter*, (Leroy, Kansas), 29 August 1930, page 1, microfilm; Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kansas.

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Throwback Thursday

Thursday, April 08, 2021

The subject for today's throwback Thursday is my uncle Walter Briles.



Young Walter Briles



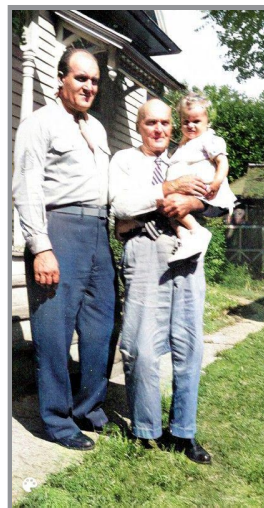
Walter Briles in U.S. Army



Walter Briles and his sister, Roberta Briles



Faye and Walter Briles



Walter Briles, his father Edward Osmund Briles and his daughter, Kaye



Walter, Faye, Kaye, Pauline and Edward Osmund Briles

Following the Land

Friday, April 09, 2021

Have you ever tried to figure out what happens to a parcel of land when the head of the household dies? That's what I've been doing when trying to clean up my citations for Sarah Jane Thompson Briles Davis, wife of my second great grandfather, Noah Washington Briles.

I recently wrote about Sarah having to purchase the land back from her second husband prior to a divorce. In working thru the timeline for the land, I realized that I also had deeds for this parcel of land filed under their son, Edward G. Briles. Thus, I need to add those deeds to the timeline.

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- **1889 – In January, Ed G. Briles purchase an undivided one fourth interest in the land from Angeline Myers (formerly Angeline Briles) and her husband H. E. Myers**
- 1889 – In December, S. J. Davis and J.D. Davis and E. G. Briles mortgaged the land for \$165 to Angeline Myers (Angeline Briles Myers)
- 1896 – In July, the mortgage to Angeline Myers was paid off
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- 1898 – In September, Jeremiah Davis was granted a divorce from Sarah J. Davis. Sarah J. Davis' name was restored to Sarah J. Briles
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- 1910 – In March, Sarah J. Briles sold the land in section 12 to H.E. Myers (first husband of Ida Angelina Briles)

Below is a transcription of the deed where Ed G. Briles purchases an undivided one fourth interest in the land from his sister, Angeline Briles Myers.

Book 45, page 617

Angeline Myers and husband

filed for record on the 19th day of January 1889 at 2 o'clock p.m.

Wm H Rudrauff, Register of Deeds Deputy

Ed G Briles

This Indenture made this 14th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty nine between Angeline Myers and H. O. Myers her husband of county of Coffey and state of Kansas of the first part and

Ed G Briles of the same place of the second part

Witnesseth that the parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of five hundred dollars

to them duly paid, hath bargained and sold, and by these presents do grant and convey to the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, all that tract or parcel of land situate in Coffey County, state of Kansas, and described as follows, to wit:

the undivided one fourth interest in the west half of the northeast quarter of section twelve (12) township twenty three (23) South of range fifteen (15) east

with the appurtenances and all the estate, title and interest of the said parties of the first part therein

and the said Angeline Myers and H E Myers do hereby covenant and agree, that at the delivery hereof they are

the lawful owners of the premises granted and seized of a good and indefensible estate of inheritance therein , in fee simple and that the same are free and clear of all incumbrances, and that they will Warrant and Defend the same in the quiet and peaceable possession of said parties of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

In witness whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Angelina Myers

H. E. Myers

State of Kansas, Coffey County, SS

On the 14th day of January, A.D. 1889, before the Notary Public is and for said county, personally came

Angeline Myers and H. E. Myers her husband

to me personally known to be the same person whose names are affixed to the foregoing conveyance as grantor and duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, the day and year last above written.

Frank Fochele

Notary Public

Coffey County, Kansas, Deeds, Book 45, page 617, Briles, Ed, 14 January 1889; Recorder of Deeds, Burlington, Kansas.

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Trailblazers

Saturday, April 10, 2021

#Great #52Ancestors

This morning I read Jacqi Stevens post, We Are All Trailblazers. This excellent post made me think about those people that were trailblazers for my family history adventure.

Below are some of those people:

Grace Vanderwilt Crawford – My great aunt, Grace, was the compiler of the Crawford family history. She was one of the first people I contacted for help. I still have a copy of her document, “The Crawford Family” that covered the family of Judson Foster Crawford. This work is being continued by her daughter and several other cousins.

Max Martin Briles – Max is my second cousin twice removed. Max grew up in Coffey County, Kansas, where our common ancestor, Alexander Briles settled prior to 1860. Max’s work, The Briles Family, traced the descendants of our immigrant ancestor, Johannes Broil.

Arthur Leslie Keith – author of The Broyles Family Typescript (or Keith Typescript). This work also traces the descendants of Johannes Broil.

Walter Salts was a local historian in Warren County, Indiana. He patiently answered all of my letters requesting information and would often send me photocopies from his obituary collection. His research was donated to the Illiana Genealogical and Historical Society in Danville, Illinois.

Mrs. Raymond Caron and Brenda Beryl (Harding) Caron for their work on the two volume work: The Harding Genealogy. This work traces the descendants of George and William Harding. George and William Harding were Loyalists who fled to New Brunswick. Without this work, my Harding research would likely still be stuck in Iowa.

Wayne Dawson (and others) for working together to compile The History and Ancestry of Rev. John Foster, 1735-1800.

Frederick Hammond for his work History and Genealogies of the Hammond Families in America.

My great-great great grandfather, Horatio Hammond for his work, The Genealogy of the Family of Horatio Hammond of Ontario, Illinois.

Bill (William) Ricketts of Arizona for sharing his Ricketts research file. This file was basically a one name study of the Ricketts family in America. Because I took a break from genealogy, I lost touch with Bill. However, there is an Ancestral File on FamilySearch submitted by wfrjr2213466 that may be his work.

Margaret Simpson and the Garrard County Historical Society (Kentucky) for all of their help with my Crawford research in early Kentucky.

Doris Ryan for her assistance with my Wells and Mentzer research in Woodson County,

Kansas. It is thru Doris that I obtained a copy of the Wells family Bible.

Dave Nicolson for all of his work with the Crawford family yDNA project. Dave works tirelessly to help us figure out the various Crawford family lines.

Amanda Crawford Arbogast Forbes and Lucetta Eggleston Crawford Sammis for their publication, Descendants of Alexander and Mary McPheeters Crawford. It is their excellent work that has helped me eliminate Alexander Crawford as an ancestor not only of my line, but also for several other Crawford lines I've researched.

All of my cousins, close and distant, who were willing to spit in a tube or swab their mouth to have their DNA tested. Your willingness to venture into this newer realm of genealogy is greatly appreciated.

This is just a sampling of the people that have made a GREAT impact on the research of my family history. Hopefully, my work will blaze a trail for some future generation.

Following the Land

Monday, April 12, 2021

In trying to follow a parcel of land thru the divorce of my second great grandmother, I've found that I need to include the deed records for her son, Edward G. Briles. In this second post on the subject, I'm adding a mortgage record to the timeline.

The land in question is the West half of the Northeast quarter of Section Twelve (12) in Township twenty three (23) of Range fifteen (15).

Timeline

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- 1888 – In November, the mortgage to W. H. Fear was paid off
- 1889 – In January, Ed G. Briles purchase an undivided one fourth interest in the land from Angeline Myers (formerly Angeline Briles) and her husband H. E. Myers
- **1889 – In February E. G. Briles mortgaged an undivided one half interest in the land to W. H. Fear for \$250.**
- **1889 – In February, W. H. Fear assigned the mortgage for the land to Jacob Cline**
- 1889 – In December, S. J. Davis and J.D. Davis and E. G. Briles mortgaged the land for \$165 to Angeline Myers (Angeline Briles Myers)
- **1891 – In April, the mortgage obtained by E. G. Briles for an undivided one half interest in the land was paid off.**
- 1896 – In July, the mortgage to Angeline Myers was paid off
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Below is a transcription of this mortgage record

E G Briles, unmarried grantor to
W H Fear, grantee

Filed for record on the 6th day of February 1889 at 5:30 o'clock p.m.

W H Rudrauff, Register of Deeds

This indenture, made this 6th day of February 1889, between E G Briles an unmarried man of — in the county of Coffey and state of Kansas of the first part and W H Fear of

the second part.

Witnesseth, that the party of the first part, inconsideration of the sum of

Two hundred and fifty dollars

To him duly paid has sold and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell and mortgage to the said party of the second part, heirs and assigns, forever, all that tract of land, situate in the County of Coffey, and State of Kansas, described as follows, to wit:

The undivided one half of the west half of the northeast quarter of section no. twelve 12, township no 23 (23) range no fifteen(15)

With the appurtenances, and all the estate, title and interest of the said party of the first part therein. This grant is intended as a MORTGAGE to secure the payment of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars

According to the terms of one note this day executed and delivered by

The said party of the first part

To the said party of the second part: and this conveyance shall be void if such payment be made as is herein specified. But if default be made in said payment, or any part thereof, or the interest thereon, as provided, or if the taxes and assessments levied against said premises are not paid at the time when they are by law made due and payable, then the whole sum hereby secured shall, at the option of the holder hereof, become immediately due and payable; and it shall be lawful for the said party of the second part, his executors, administrators and assigns, at any time thereafter, to sell the premises hereby granted, or any part thereof, in the manner prescribed by law, and out of all the moneys arising from such sale, to retain the amount then due for principal and interest, together with the costs and charges of making such sale and \$___ as attorney's fee and the overplus, if any there be, shall be paid by the party making such sale, on demand, to the said party of the first part heirs or assigns. Appraisement waived.

In witness whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year above written.

E. G. Briles

State of Kansas, County of Coffee, SS

On this 6th day of February A.D. 1889, before me, a notary public in and for the county, personally came E G. Briles an unmarried man to me personally known to be the same person whose name is affixed to the foregoing conveyance as grantor and who duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

Witness my hand and official seal on the date last above written.

A Peasley

Notary Public

My commission expires Feb 21 1891

Note on side of document: For value received I hereby assign the within mortgage to Jacob Cline This 28th day of February 1889

True copy of endorsement on original note

Filed for entry Apr 13th 1891

The note secured by the within mortgage having been paid in full this mortgage is hereby released

Witness my hand this 13th day of April 1891

Jacob Cline

Coffey County, Kansas, Deeds, Book 23 Mortgages page 362, E G Briles, 6 February 1889; Recorder of Deeds, Burlington, Kansas.

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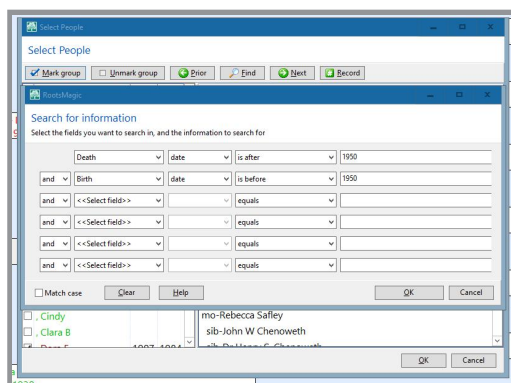
Monday, April 12, 2021

Have you seen the Facebook posts or the tweets about the upcoming release of the 1950 census next year. I saw and even shared some of those posts. However, I have to admit that I wasn't seriously thinking about the preparation I might need to be doing to get ready for next year.

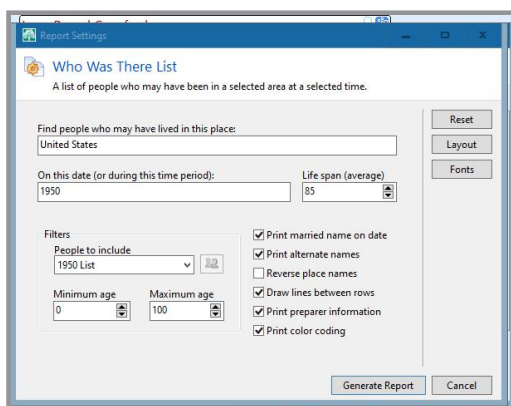
Then I saw the announcement for Dear Myrtle's study group preparing for the release of the census. Curious about this study group, I watched the April 9, 2021 Wacky Wednesday which discussed this study group. Viewing this discussion helped me realize that I have a lot to learn about preparing for this census. Thus, I have registered for the group.

During one of the upcoming sessions, they are going to discuss using our genealogy programs to create a list of people that should be found in the 1950 census.

Curious about what type of report I could create, I tried creating a report. For the report, I created marked group for those who were born before 1950 but died after 1950.



Then I used the "Who Was There List" to create a report using the individuals in my marked grouped. In setting up the report, I used United States for the place and elected to print the married name and alternate names.



This report provides some very useful information. Because it lists the residence information I have for the individual, it will help me identify exact locations to search for these people.

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|---|--|--|--|--|
| Angeline-2068 Birth: 18 Mar 1868 19 Mar 1868 16 Apr 1959 82 Birth: near Ottumwa, Wapello County, Iowa (1868) Alt: Mort, Ida Angeline-2068 Child/Parent: Wapello, Iowa, United States (1868) Angeline-2068 Residence: California Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States (1870) Alt: Mort, Ida Angeline-2068 Residence: Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States (1875) Mort: Mort, Ida Angeline-2068 Residence: Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States (1875) | | | | |
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| Who Was There (United States, 1950) | | | | 12 April 2021 |
|--|------|------|-----|---------------|
| Name | Born | Died | Age | Place |
| United States (1880) | | | | |
| Education: Coffey, Kansas, United States (1880) | | | | |
| Residence: Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States (1885) | | | | |
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| Family: Coffey, Kansas, United States | | | | |

Because this report is HUGE, I likely will modify the settings to limit the geographic area.

I'm looking forward to participating in the upcoming sessions to learn more about what I can do to prepare for next April.

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Coffey County Kansas Book 55 Deeds page 611

E G Briles to S J Davis

Filed for record on the 13 day of August 1896 at 1:30 o'clock p.m J H Hanna, Register of Deeds

This indenture, made this 13 day of July A.D. 1886,between

E. G. Briles and F. A. Briles, his wife

Of Coffey County, in the State of Kansas of the second part

Witnesseth, that said parties of the first part, inconsideration of the sum of

One thousand and no dollars

The receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do by these presents grant, bargain, sell and convey unto said party of the second part her heirs and assigns, all the following described real estate, attended in the county of Coffey and state of Kansas to wit: all their undivided one half interest in the west half of the north east quarter of section twelve (12)township twenty three (23) South range fifteen (15) east of the sixth p.m.

To have and to hold the same together with all and singular the [?] and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining forever

And said E. G. Briles and F. A. Briles his wife for their heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby covenant, promise and agree, to and with said party of the second part, that at the delivery of these presents they are lawfully seized in their same right, of an absolute and indefensible estate of inheritance, in fee simple, of and in all and singular the above-granted and described premises, with the appurtenances; that the same are free, clear, discharged and unencumbered of and from all former and other grants, titles, charges, estates, judgements, [?], assessments and incumbrances,of what nature or kind soever.

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In witness whereof, the said parties of the first part has hereunto set their hands the day and your first above written.

E G Briles

F A Briles

State of Kansas, Coffey County, SS

Be it remembered, that on this 15th day of July A.D. 1886, before me, the undersigned a clerk of the district court and for the county and state aforesaid cause

E G. Briles and F A Briles his wife

Who are personally known to me to be the same person who executed the within instrument of

Writing and such persons have duly acknowledged the executives of the same.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year best above written.

T. A. Wiseman Clerk Notary Public

Coffey County, Kansas, Deeds, Book 55 Deeds Page 611, E G. Briles, 13 August 1896; Recorder of Deeds, Burlington, Kansas.

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S. J. Davis, Grantor
to
E. G. Briles, Grantee

Filed for record on the 15 day of August 1896 at 11 o'clock A.M.
J H. Hanna, Register of Deeds

This Indenture made this 15 day of July 1896 between S. J. Davis and J. D. Davis her husband of Coffey County, and State of Kansas of the first part, and E. G. Briles of the second part.

Witnesseth, that the parties of the first part, in consideration of the sum of eight hundred & 00/100 dollars to them duly paid, have sold and by these presents do Grant, bargain, Sell and Mortgage to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever all that tract of land situate in the county of Coffey, and State of Kansas, described as follows, to wit: The West half of the North east quarter of Section Twelve (12) township Twenty three (23) Range Fifteen (15) East of the Sixth P.M.

with the appurtenances, and all the estate, title and interest of the said parties of the first part therein. This grant is intended as a Mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of Eight hundred according to the terms of one note this day executed and delivered by S. J. Davis and J. D. Davis her husband to the said part _ of the second part; and the conveyance shall be void if such payment be made as is herein specified. But if default be made in said payment, or any part thereof, or the interest thereon, as provided, or if the taxes and assessments levied against said premises are not paid at the time when they are by law made due and payable, then the whole sum hereby secured shall, at the option of the holder hereof, become immediately due and payable; and it shall be lawful for the said party of the second part, his executors, administrators and assigns, at any time thereafter, to sell the premises hereby granted, or any part thereof, in the manner prescribed by law, and out of all the moneys arising from such sale, to retain the amount then due for principal and interest, together with the costs and charges of making such sale, and \$ as attorney's fee for foreclosure and the overplus, if any there be shall be paid by the party of making such sale, on demand, to the said S. J. Davis

In Witness Whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year above written.

S. J. Davis (Seal)

J. D. Davis (Seal)

State of Kansas, County of Coffey, ss.

On this 24th day of July A.D. 1896, before me a J.S. Covert a Notary Public in and for said County, personally came S. J. Davis and J. D. Davis her husband to me personally known to be the same persons whose name are affixed to the foregoing conveyance as grantor and have duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, on the date last above written.

J.S. Covert

Notary Public

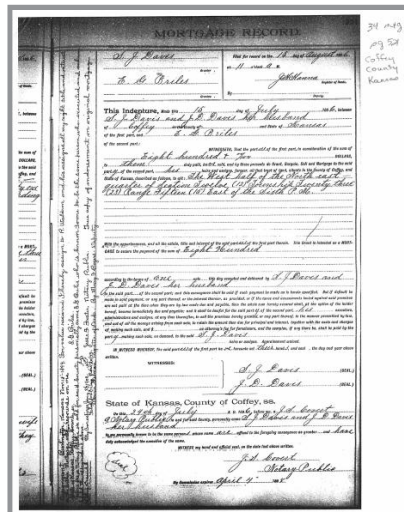
My commission expires April 4 1898

Along left column of page:

Assignment: Burlington, Kansas Nov 18 – 1899. For value received I hereby assign to R Watson and his assigns all my right title and interest in the [within] mortgage with no recourse on me.

E G Briles
 State of Kansas Coffey County ss
 Before me a Notary Public in and for said County personally came E G Briles who is known to me to be the same person who executed and acknowledged the assignment above.
 Jesse F. Foster, Notary Public
 True copy of endorsement on original mortgage
 My com expires Jan'y 24, 1902
 Filed for Entry Nov 20/99
 [Winnie] Gilman, Register of deeds
 By Mary F. Rogers Deputy

Coffey County, Kansas, Deeds, Mortgage book 34 page 521, S J Davis from E G Briles, 15 July 1896; Recorder of Deeds, Burlington, Kansas.



Family Statistics

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

Because my family tree software includes more lines than just my family and a lot of descendants of not only my tree but also for some of those other lines, I don't put much stock in statistics. However, the recent post, My Family Tree in Numbers, challenged me to re-look at those stats.

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|------------------------|-------|
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| Places | 6514 |
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Since I use Ancestry as my primary location to share my tree, I also have stats for that tree.

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|---|-------|
| Summary | |
|  People | 18048 |
|  Photos | 13837 |
|  Stories | 1715 |
|  Records | 13274 |

Even though I don't do my research in My Heritage, I did upload a gedcom to create a tree on that site. Thus, I can take advantage of their new 'Family Statistics' tools. This tool is found under the HOME menu on My Heritage.



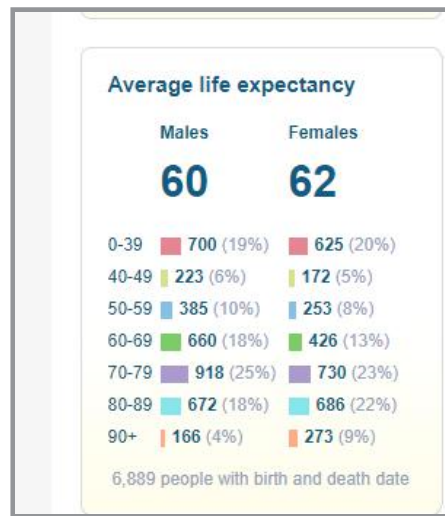
It takes a few minutes for My Heritage to generate the statistics for the tree, but once generated the tree is analyzed in a variety of ways.



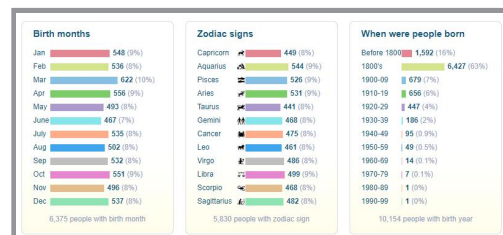
The 'Places' page verifies what I knew about my tree: the vast majority of my ancestors were born, died and resided in the United States.



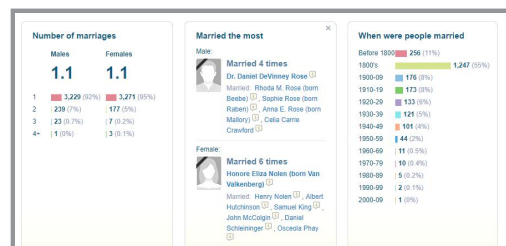
Since my tree on My Heritage doesn't contain many living people, this aspect of the statistics, including the Age Distribution, doesn't provide much information. However, the 'Life Expectancy' section is interesting.



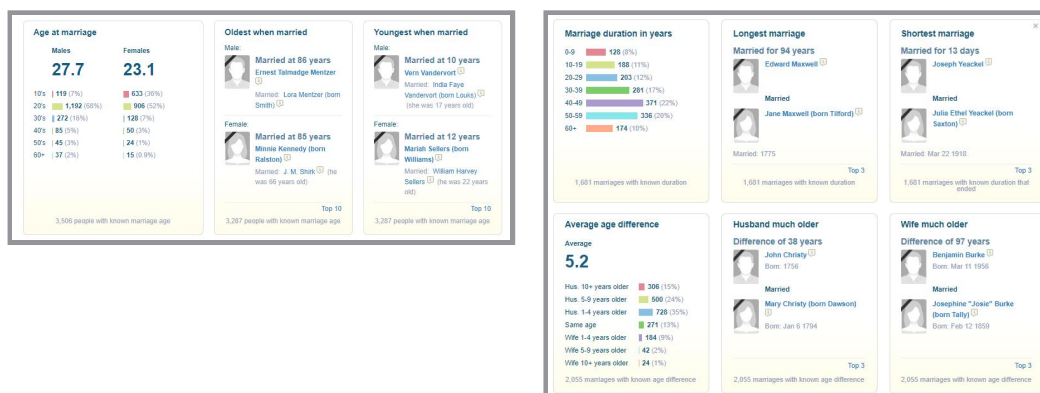
The 'Births' section provides information on the month of birth as well as an analysis of when ancestors were born.



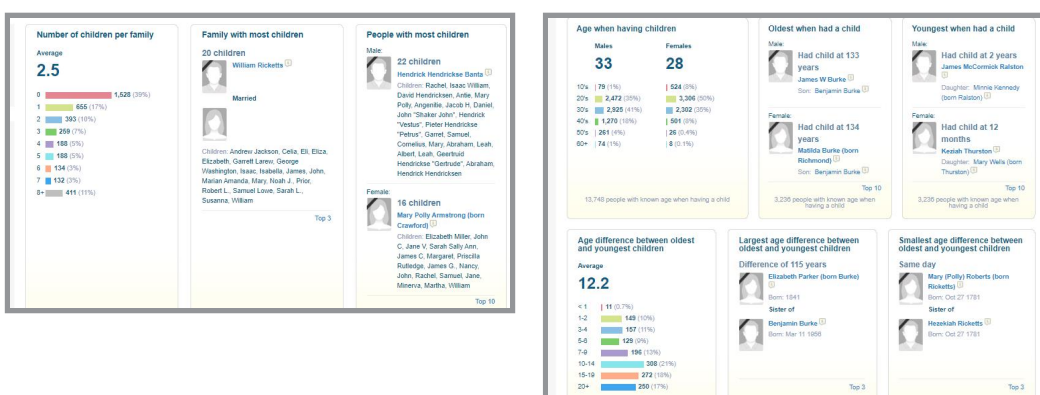
Next is an analysis of the marriage data.



One thing I noticed is that this points out areas where my tree may be incorrect. For example, the likelihood that someone in my tree married at age 10 seems doubtful.



Children data



This data provides a quick analysis of a tree.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, April 15, 2021

Sarah Jane Thompson Briles



HAPI DNA Dance

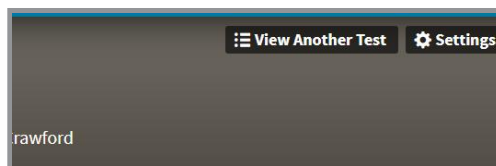
Thursday, April 15, 2021

Have you ever wished you had your parent's DNA results? Even though my mom has been tested, I've always wished I had my dad's DNA.

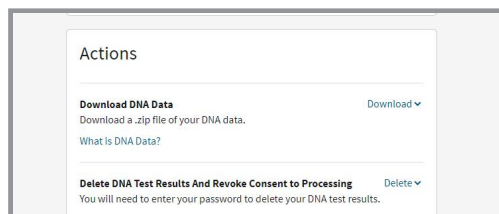
Well, this morning I read about a tool to reconstruct a parents DNA in the blog post, Reconstructing DNA from One Parent with HAPI. The tool requires DNA from a parent and THREE children.

Since I just happened to have tested myself, my two brothers and my mother, we have the required DNA to reconstruct my father's DNA!

To use this tool, I opted to download new files from Ancestry. To get to Ancestry's Download option, I selected a DNA test and then I clicked on the Settings wheel while.



I scrolled to the bottom of the Settings screen to get to the Actions box, where I found the Download DNA Data section.



Clicking on the blue Download expanded the screen. I had to enter my password, click on the 'I Understand' box and Confirm.

Actions

Download DNA Data Close

Please enter your Ancestry account password. You'll receive a confirmation email and download instructions at the email address associated with your Ancestry account.

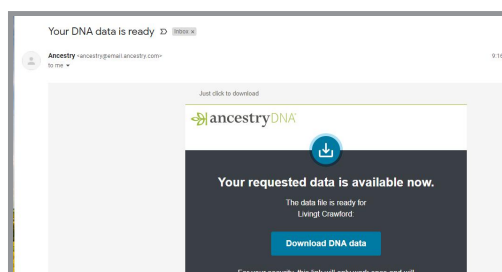
Password [Forgot Password?](#)

☐ I understand that after my DNA data is downloaded, the downloaded copy will not be protected by AncestryDNA's security measures. When I download my DNA data, I assume all risk of storing, securing, and protecting my downloaded data.

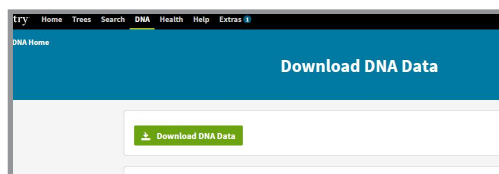
The downloaded data is subject to the [AncestryDNA Terms and Conditions](#) and [AncestryDNA Privacy Statement](#).

Confirm

Then I waited. (Yes, I'm impatient when it comes to verification emails!) Once the email arrived, there was a blue 'Download DNA data' box that I clicked on.

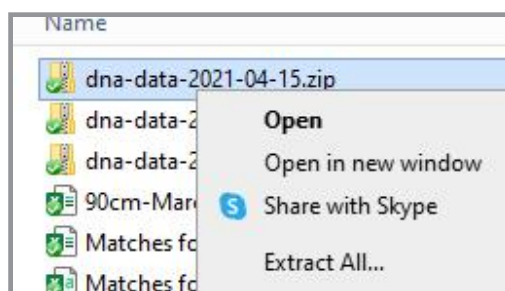


That took me back to Ancestry where I was able to click on the green Download DNA button to download the file.



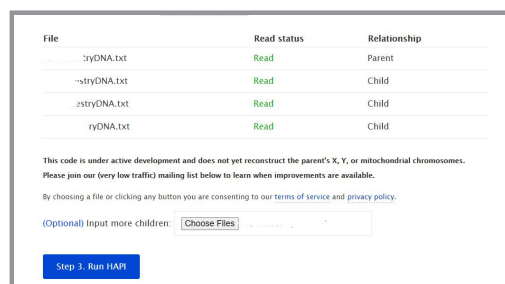
This opened Windows Explorer. I migrated to my DNA folder and saved the file. (*Knowing where this file is saved is critical!*)

Ancestry DNA downloads as a zip file. Normally, this file is left untouched when uploading to other sites. However, with the HAPI tool, a .txt or .csv file is required. Thus, I needed to extract the zip file. Since my computer is a Windows based computer, I right clicked on the file and selected 'Extract All' from the menu.

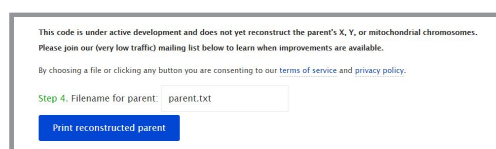


This creates a new folder with an AncestryDNA.txt file inside. Since I needed to work with four different Ancestry DNA files, I renamed each of the files so I could identify whose DNA was in the file.

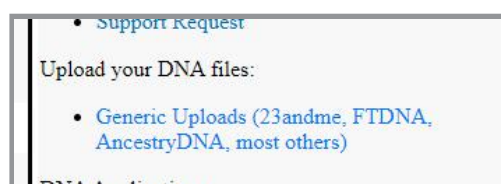
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Then I clicked on Run HAPI and waited. It didn't take long to finish. When finished, I was prompted to 'Print reconstructed parent'. **Clicking on this blue button allowed me to SAVE** the file for my dad.



Curious as to how accurate this new DNA might be, I wanted to upload it to GedMatch, where I could do one to one comparisons with known cousins. So on Getmatch.com, I located the menu section, Upload your DNA files.



I entered my dad's name and an alias and indicated his gender. I then scrolled down to the 'testing company' section. I selected OTHER for the source and entered HAPI for the company name. I indicated that my dad is deceased.

Sex of donor: ☒ Male ☐ Female

What is your Mitochondrial haplogroup (if known)?

Males Only (or females with a male sibling who has been tested): What is your Y haplogroup (if known)?

Name of Testing Company, or other source: Company or Source (Other (enter name below))

Other (1424)

You agree that the Raw Data is one of the following (select one):

Your DNA: ☐

DNA of a person for whom you are a legal guardian: ☐

DNA of a person who has granted you specific authorization to upload their DNA to GedMatch: ☐

DNA of a person whose identity is known by you and who is known to be deceased: ☒

and only if (1) it is intended for research purposes, and (2) it is not used to identify anyone in the GedMatch database, or

Once the data had finished uploading, I did several One to One comparisons. The first comparison was with one of his first cousins on his dad's side.

Largest segment = 77.1 cM

Total Half-Match segments (HIR) 491.1cM (13.711 Pct)

Estimated number of generations to MRCA = 2.4

20 shared segments found for this comparison.

413170 SNPs used for this comparison.

53.485 Pct SNPs are full identical

The second comparison was with a 1st cousin twice removed on his mother's side.

Largest segment = 21.1 cM

Total Half-Match segments (HIR) 144.6cM (4.037 Pct)

Estimated number of generations to MRCA = 3.3

12 shared segments found for this comparison.

389255 SNPs used for this comparison.

52.262 Pct SNPs are full identical

I have no idea how accurate the HAPI tool is. However, *it is more than I had!* Once GedMatch has had time to process the data, I will run a One to Many test to see what I get.

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Filed for record on the 15 day of July 1901 at 8 o'clock __M
Minnie Gilman, Register of Deeds
By Lillian E. Rogers, Deputy

This Indenture, made this 15th day of July AD 1901 between Sarah J Briles, an unmarried woman of Crandal in the County of Coffey and State of Kansas of the first part and R. Waldron of the second part.

Witnesseth, that the party of the first part, in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty dollars to her duly paid, has sold, and by these presents does Grant, Bargain, Sell and Mortgage to the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns, forever, all that tract of land in the County of Coffey, and State of Kansas described as follows to wit: West one half (1/2) of the North-East quarter (1/4) of section twelve (12) township twenty-three (23) range fifteen (15)

With the appurtenance, and all the estate, title and interest of the said party of the first part therein. This Grant is intended as a MORTGAGE to secure the payment of the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars according to the terms of one coupon note this day executed and delivered by said party of the first part to the said party of the second part; and this conveyance shall be void if such payment be made as in herein specified. But if default be made in said payment, or any part thereof, or the interest thereon, as provided, or if the taxes and assessments levied against said premises are not paid at the time when they are by law made due and payable, then the whole sum hereby secured shall at the option, of the holder hereof, become immediately due and payable; and it shall be lawful for the said party of the second part, his executors, administrators or assigns, at any time thereafter, to sell the premises hereby granted, or any part thereof, in the manner prescribed by law, and out of all the moneys arising from such sale to retain the amount then due for principal and interest, together with the costs and charges of making such sale, and the overplus, if any there be, shall be paid by the part making such sale, on demand to the said party of the first part her heirs or assigns. Appraisement waived.

In Witness Whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set her hand, and seal, the day and year above written.

Sarah J. Briles (seal)

State of Kansas, County of Coffey, ss.

On this 15th day of July A.D. 1901 before me, a notary public in and for said County, personally came Sarah J Briles an unmarried woman to me personally known to be the same person whose name is affixed to the foregoing conveyance as grantor and she duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

Witness my hand and official seal, on the date last above written

[Jerrie] F Foster

Notary Public

My commission expires Jany 24 1902

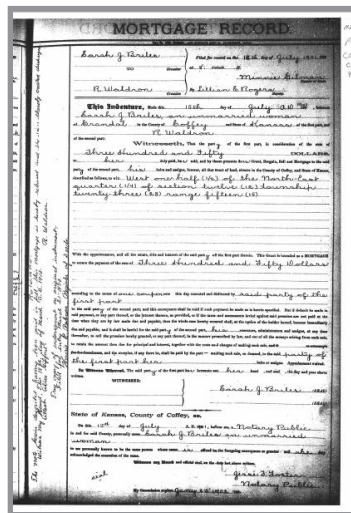
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Release

The note herein described having been paid in full this mortgage is hereby released and the lein thereby created discharged

Witness my hand this 18th day of March A.D. 1910
R. Waldron
Attest Alice Gifford
True copy of endorsement on original instrument
Filed for entry March 21 1910
Harrie E Robson, Register of Deeds

Coffey County, Kansas, Deeds, Mortgage book 41 page 349, Sarah J Briles from R
Waldron, 16 July 1901; Recorder of Deeds, Burlington, Kansas.

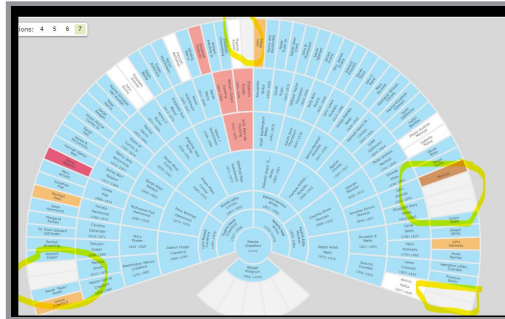


Brick Wall

Saturday, April 17, 2021

#52Ancestors

This week's 52 Ancestor's writing prompt is "Brick Wall." Since I've written a LOT about James Crawford, one of my brick walls, I decided to look at the fan chart for my tree on FamilySearch to see what other 'potential' brick walls were in my tree.



Looking at that chart, there are 4 spots areas where I'm missing 7th generation ancestors. Because I haven't put much effort into researching them, I don't consider any of them potential brick walls. Curious as to how other genealogists define the term 'Brick Wall,' I did a quick Google search for 'brick wall genealogy.' What I found was some excellent resources to review for tackling a brick wall.

- Solving Tough Research Problems — Overcoming Brick Walls
- Are You Really at a Genealogy Brick Wall?
- Overcoming Roadblocks in Your Research
- What Are Genealogy Brick Walls?

When asked to identify a 'brick wall' in my tree, I almost always think of James Crawford (1772-1854). I consider James a brick wall because I've done extensive research of James and his descendants but haven't been able to identify his parents or any siblings.

My records research seems to hit a road block in Garrard County, Kentucky where James marries Sally Duggins in 1799. Thinking I would find something linking James to parents or siblings in this area of Kentucky prior to 1800, I've done a lot of research of the various Crawford families in the area. Much of that work has been chronicled on this blog and can be found by using the search box to look for posts about Crawford.

Getting past this roadblock was one of the primary reasons I had my DNA tested at Ancestry. Unfortunately, this might be too many generations back for autosomal DNA to help identify James' parents. I'm also struggling with an over-abundance of DNA matches. To help make sense of all of these matches and to hopefully connect with that researcher with the answer, I research the descendants of my ancestors, including James Crawford. Thru this research, I have identified DNA matches to support my Crawford paper research.

This roadblock is also why I asked my brother to have his yDNA tested. His BigY results support a theory suggested by all of my paper research: the James Crawfords of early Garrard County, Kentucky are likely related. Currently, the following ancestors have been

placed in the R-Y88686 haplogroup:

- James Crawford b 1772 VA m1799 KY d 1854 OH (my line)
- William Nelson Crawford, b 1829 OH and d. 1907 WA
- James Crawford b 1770 VA M Knight 1793 KY d 1833 IN
- James Crawford b1758 VA d 1836 IN

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| Crawford | James Crawford b1772VA m1799KY d1854OH | R-Y88686 | 13 |
| Crawford | James Crawford b 1800 and d. 1870 | R-BY82381 | 13 |
| Crawford | | R-M269 | 13 |
| Crawford | James Crawford, b circa 1770 Ireland | R-BY82381 | 13 |
| Crawford | Robert Crawford II, b. 1752 | R-BY82381 | 13 |
| Crawford | William Crawford b. c1754 and d.1829 | R-BY82381 | 13 |
| L. (Crawford) | David Crawford, b.1709 Scotland and d.1785, MD | R-BY21624 | 13 |
| Avant | | R-M269 | 13 |
| Crawford | William Nelson Crawford, b.1829 OH and d.1907 WA | R-Y88686 | 13 |
| Crawford | James Crawford of Baidland & Ardmillan d.1708 | R-BY226182 | 13 |
| Crawford | James Crawford b1770 VA M Knight 1793 KY d1833 IN | R-BY226182 | 13 |
| Crawford | Edward Crawford, b. 1762 and d. 1826 | R-Y88686 | 13 |
| Barton | | R-M269 | 13 |
| Crawford | Edward Crawford, b c1770 PA or VA, d. 17 Jun 1826 | R-FT344803 | 13 |
| Crawford | James Crawford b 1758 VA; d.1836 IN | R-Y88686 | 13 |
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To keep these James Crawfords and others separate, I usually identify them by their wife. Thus the three James from the yDNA Crawford project are the following:

- James Crawford (1772-1854) md Sally Duggins in 1799 in Garrard County, KY; owned land in Preble County, Ohio where he died. His son, Nelson, migrated from Preble County, OH to Warren County, IN. (my line)
- James Crawford (1770-1833) md Martha Knight in 1793 in Lincoln County, KY; owned land in Preble County, Ohio prior to moving to Warren County, IN where he died.
- James Crawford (1758-1836) md Rebecca Anderson Maxwell. James owned land along Paint Lick Creek in Garrard County KY before migrating to Jefferson County, IN where he died.

Not only is my James Crawford a brick wall, but the other ancestors in the R-Y88686 haplogroup are also brick walls for the researchers of those lines.

Not only is this a 'genealogy brick wall,' but Covid-19 has made it a research brick wall. With last year's shutdown, my research trip to Kentucky was cancelled and genealogy libraries, archives and family history centers were closed. Thus, I've taken a break from my Crawford research to work on other lines in my tree.

In hopes that I might be able to resume this research, I need to

- create a new plan to research the Crawford families of Montgomery and Botetourt Counties in Virginia.
- identify the Kentucky neighbors who arrived in Kentucky about the same time as the Crawfords for further research.
- do more research on the Duggins step-children in hopes of learning more about our common ancestor.
- learn more about Virginia and Virginia records prior to 1800.
- follow the genealogy news for the opening of libraries, archives and family history centers.
- plan a genealogy research trip – even if only for a day of research.

Vacations

Sunday, April 18, 2021

#SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) Think about your genealogy career – have you taken a “genealogy or family history vacation?”

2) Tell us about one (or more) of them – where did you go, what research did you do, did you meet family members, etc.

I don't think it is a 'genealogy vacation' if you only drive 75 miles and don't stay overnight? However, it is a genealogy road trip.

When I started my genealogical research, I had to travel about 75 miles to do any sort of research. Those road trips included visits to libraries, archives, cemeteries and courthouses. Instead of writing about one or many of those trips I'm going to write about the trips that didn't happen in 2020.

In April 2020, we had a trip planned to the St. Louis Public Library to use the National Genealogical Society Book Loan collection housed there. On the way home, we were going to slightly detour to visit the Daniel Boone Home National Historic Site.

Then, sometime in the summer, a trip to Kentucky was being planned to research my Crawford family. The itinerary had not been established but visits to the Fort Boonesborough State Park, historical societies in Madison, Garrard and Lincoln counties and the Eastern Kentucky University archives were on the to-do list. Other potential destinations included The Filson Historical Society and the SAR Genealogical Research Library in Louisville, Kentucky, and the Kentucky Historical Society in Frankfort, Kentucky.

In the fall, a trip to Akron, Ohio was being discussed. My husband's Philbrick research would have dictated the destinations for this trip. A slight detour to the Ohio Genealogical Society library would likely have been included. Of course, I could easily have added stops along the way in Danville, Illinois, Warren County, Indiana and Preble County, Ohio.

Thanks to COVID restrictions, all of those trips have been put on hold.

Plans for this summer will likely be closer to home. In the meantime, I just need to learn to dig deeper to find digital resources and re-learn the art of the SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope).

Sarah Sells Land

Monday, April 19, 2021

This is the final entry in a series of posts about the land that my 2nd great grandfather, Noah Briles purchased from his father.

Today, I'm adding the deed where Sarah J. Briles sells the land to her son-in-law, H. E. Myers.

The land in question is the West half of the Northeast quarter of Section Twelve (12) in Township twenty three (23) of Range fifteen (15).

Timeline

- 1866 – Sarah Jane Thompson married Noah Washington Briles in Wapello County Iowa on 9 August 1866
- 1869 – Noah W. Briles purchased the land in question from his father, Alexander Briles.
- 1879 – Noah Briles died leaving his wife, Sarah and two children: Ida Angelina and Edward Grant Briles
- 1886 – In November, Sarah J. Briles mortgaged the land to W. H. Fear for \$150.00
- 1888 – In May, Sarah Briles married Jeremiah D. Davis
- 1888 – In November, the mortgage to W. H. Fear was paid off
- 1889 – In January, Ed G. Briles purchase an undivided one fourth interest in the land from Angeline Myers (formerly Angeline Briles) and her husband H. E. Myers
- 1889 – In February E. G. Briles mortgaged an undivided one half interest in the land to W. H. Fear for \$250.
- 1889 – In February, W. H. Fear assigned the mortgage for the land to Jacob Cline
- 1889 – In December, S. J. Davis and J.D. Davis and E. G. Briles mortgaged the land for \$165 to Angeline Myers (Angeline Briles Myers)
- 1891 – In April, the mortgage obtained by E. G. Briles for an undivided one half interest in the land was paid off.
- 1896 – In July, the mortgage to Angeline Myers was paid off
- 1896 – In August, E. G. Briles and F. A. Briles his wife sell all their undivided half interest in the land to S. J. Davis for \$1000
- 1896 – In August, S. J. Davis obtains a mortgage on the land from E. G. Briles (*information regarding the cancellation of this mortgage is missing from the deed*)
 - 1898 – In July, Jeremiah D. Davis sold to Sarah J. Davis two parcels of land for \$1,000 the parcel in question: the West half of the Northeast quarter of section twelve (12) in township twenty three (23) of range fifteen (15)
 - and the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of section thirty six (36) in township twenty two (22) of range fifteen (15)
- 1898 – In September, Jeremiah Davis was granted a divorce from Sarah J. Davis. Sarah J. Davis' name was restored to Sarah J. Briles
- 1901 – In July, Sarah J. Briles mortgaged the land in section 12 to R. Waldron for \$350
- 1910 – In March, the mortgage to R. Waldon had been paid off
- **1910 – In March, Sarah J. Briles sold the land in section 12 to H.E. Myers (first husband of Ida Angeline Briles)**

Coffey County Kansas
Deed Book 77

Sarah J Briles

To

H. E. Meyers

State of Kansas, Coffey County, ss

This instrument was filed for record on the 15 day of March A.D. 1910 at 5 o'clock pm

Harris E Robson

Register of Deeds

By Lizzie Robson, deputy

This indenture made this 15th day of March, A.D. 1910, between Sarah J Briles and widow and unmarried woman (formerly Sarah J Davis, also formerly S. J. Davis) of Coffey County in the state of Kansas of the first part, and H. E. Myers of Coffey County, in the State of Kansas, of the second part.

Witnesseth that the said party of the first part, in consideration of the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars and other considerations and dollars the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do by these presents grant, bargain sell and convey unto said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, all the following described real estate situated in the County of Coffey and State of Kansas, to wit:

The West half (1/2) of the North East quarter (1/4) of Section Twelve (12) Township twenty three (23) range fifteen (15) east of the sixth principal meridian provided however that the said Sarah J Briles hereby retains the right of possession during her life and all the rents issues and profits on the north half (1/2) of the aforesaid land at her death to become the property in fee simple of the said second party. (I hereby certify that I am the same person as S G Davis to whom E. G. Briles deeded an undivided interest in the above described land, which deed is recorded in book 55 at page 611 of the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of Coffey County Kansas, and also the same person as Sarah J Davis to whom Jeremiah G Davis deeded the above described land, which deed is recorded in book 51 of deeds at page 383 of the records in the said Register of Deeds office.

To have and to hold the same, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, forever.

And said Sarah J Briles for herself, her heirs, executors or administrators does hereby covenant, promise and agree to and with said party of the second part, that at the delivery of these presents she is lawfully seized in her own right of an absolute and indefensible estate of inheritance, in fee simple, of and in all and singular the above granted and described premises, with the appurtenances; that the same are free, clear, discharged and unencumbered of and from all former and other grants, titles, charges, estates, judgments, taxes, assessments and encumbrances, of what nature or kind soever; except as above stated

And that she will warrant and forever defend the same unto said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns against said party of the first part, her heirs and all and every person or persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same.

In witness whereof the said party of the first part has hereunto set her hand the day and year first above written.

Sarah J Briles

State of Kansas

Coffey County, ss

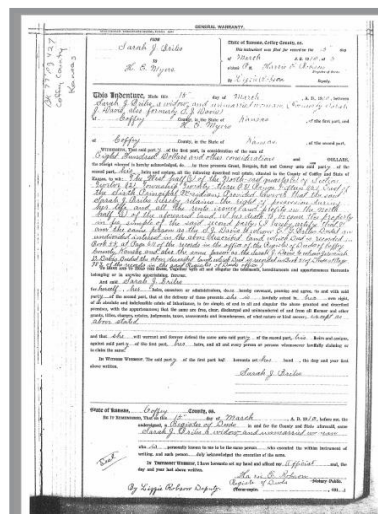
Be it remembered, that on this 15th day of March, A.D. 1910 before me the undersigned, a register of deeds in and for the County and State aforesaid, came Sarah J Briles a widow and unmarried woman who is personally known to me to be the same person who executed the within instrument of writing, and such person duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year last above written.

Harris E Robson Register of Deeds

By Lizzie Robson Deputy

Coffey County, Kansas, Deeds, Book 77 page 427, Sarah J Briles to H E Myers, 15 March 1910; Recorder of Deeds, Burlington, Kansas.



Sarah Jane Thompson

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Sarah Jane Thompson was born on 7 Aug 1843 in Warrick, Indiana, United States. 1– 9

She moved to Iowa with her parents in 1847. 9

In 1850, Sarah Thompson was listed as a 6 year old female who was born in Indiana and was living in the household of William Thompson in Wapello County, Iowa. 10

She lived in Richland Township, Wapello, Iowa, United States in 1856. 11

Sarah J. Thompson was listed as a 16 year old female who was born in Indiana living in the household of William T Thompson in Richland Township, Wapello County, Iowa in 1860. 12

She married Noah Washington Briles on 9 Aug 1866 in Ottumwa, Wapello, Iowa, United States. 5, 9, 13– 22

Sarah lived in Crandall, Coffey, Kansas, United States in 1867. 9

On 19 Mar 1868, Ida Angelina Briles was born in Wapello, Iowa, United States. 9

On 18 Jul 1869, Edward Grant Briles was born in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 9, 23

In 1870, Sarah Briles was listed as a 26 year old female born in Indiana in the household of Noah Brile living in Coffey County, Kansas. 24

In 1875, S. J. Briles is listed as a 31 year old female who was born in Indiana in the household of N. W. Briles living in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. 25

Sarah Briles' husband, Noah Briles, died on 14 Jul 1879 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 26

In 1880, Sarah Briles was listed as a 36 year old female head of household living in Neosho township, Coffey County, Kansas. Also living in the household are a 12 year old daughter, Ida A. and a 10 year old son, Edward G. 27

In 1885, Sarah Briles was listed on the census as a 41 year old female with 120 acres who was born in Indiana. Also living in the household was 15 year old Edgar Briles 28

Sarah J. Briles applied for a pension based on the civil war service of Noah Briles on 22 Oct 1885. Noah W. Briles served in the Iowa Cavalry. 29

She mortgaged the W 1/2 NE 1/4 Section 12 Township 23 Range 15 for \$150 to W. H. Fear on 13 Nov 1886 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 30

She married J. D. Davis on 10 May 1888 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 7, 31– 36

She had paid off 1886 mortgage to W. H. Fear of the W 1/2 of the NE 1/4 of Section 12, township 23, range 15 on 19 Dec 1888 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 30

Sarah and J.D. Davis, her husband and E. G. Briles, a single man, mortgaged the W 1/2 NE 1/4 Section 12 Township 23 Range 15 for \$165 to Angeline Myers on 2 Dec 1889 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 37

In 1895, S. J. Davis was listed as a 51 year old female who was born in Indiana on the census. She was living in the household of J. D. Davis in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. 38

She mortgaged the West half of the northeast quarter of Section 12 in Township 23 Range 15 for \$800 to E G Briles on 15 Jul 1896 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 39

She purchased land being the West half of the northeast quarter of Section 12 of Township 23 Range 15 and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section thirty six in township twenty two of range fifteen 15 for \$1000 from Jeremiah D Davis on 20 Jul 1898 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 40

Sarah J. Davis and J. D. Davis were divorced on 8 Sep 1898 in Coffey, Kansas. 41

Sarah J Briles was listed as the head of household on the 1900 census. According to the census, Sarah was born Aug 1844 in Indiana. Sarah was a widow. According to the census, Sarah was not the mother of any children. 42

Sarah mortgaged the West half of the northeast quarter of Section 12 in Township 23 Range 15 for \$350 to R Waldron on 15 Jul 1901 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 43

She entertained Rev. Smith and family in May 1903 in Rock Creek Township, Carroll, Indiana, United States. 44

Sarah was listed as a 60 year old head of household on the 1905 census living in Neosho Township, Coffey County, Kansas. 45

She sold land being the West 1/2 Section 12 in Township 23 of Range 15 for \$800 to H. E. Myers on 15 Mar 1910 in Coffey, Kansas, United States. 46

Sarah J Briles was listed as the mother in law of Harry E Myers on the 1910 census. According to the census, Sarah was a 67 year old widow who was born in Indiana. Sarah was the mother of 2 living children. 47

In 1915, S. J. Briles was listed as a 70 year old female born in Iowa in the household of H. E. Myers in Coffey County, Kansas. 48

On 7 Oct 1916, Sarah registered for a pension as a the remarried widow of Noah W Briles who served in the 1st Iowa Cavalry . 49

On 10 Apr 1917, she received pension based on her husband, Noah Briles, service during the civil war . 50

Sarah J. Briles was listed as a head of household on the 1920 census. According to the census, Sarah was a 76 year old widow who was born in Indiana. 51

She spent day with granddaughter, Mrs. Bethel Allen and family in Jan 1922 in Coffey,

Kansas, United States. 52

Sarah Briles was listed in the household of Angine Myers on the 1925 Kansas census. According to the census, Sarah was an 81 year old widow who was born in Indiana. 4, 53

Sarah J Briles was listed as the mother in law of Ed C Barr on the 1930 census. According to the census, Sarah was an 86 year old widow who was born in Indiana. 54

Sarah died on 17 Aug 1930 at the age of 87 in Neosho Township, Coffey, Kansas, United States. 2– 3, 8– 9, 55– 56

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Lessons Learned

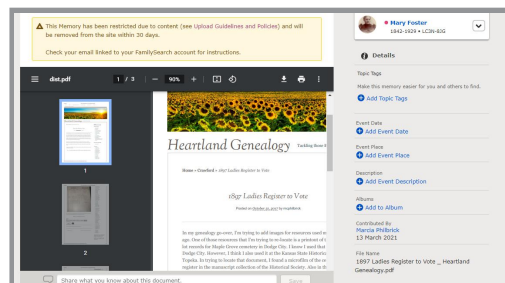
Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Do you ever have good intentions to share something and then fall flat? Well, I've fallen 'flat on my face' when trying to share some information on FamilySearch.

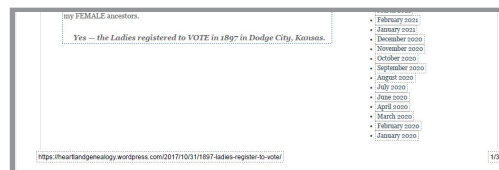
I recently received an email from support at FamilySearch indicating that a PDF file that I had uploaded as a memory was rejected. I received four such messages. These PDF files were created by printing one of my blog posts about an aspect of an ancestors life.

When I looked thru the guidelines for submission, the only thing on the list that I thought I might have violated was copyright. Since I wrote the blog posts and thus own the copyright, I sent a reply asking if that was the issue. Thankfully, I got a response back indicating that there was an URL that was causing the problem.

When I looked at the item on FamilySearch, I couldn't see where I had added an URL.



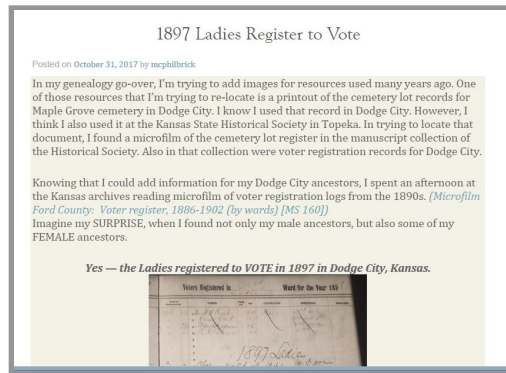
However, when I opened the 'offending' pdf file on my computer and scrolled thru it, I discovered the problem.



There at the bottom of each page was the offending URL. Thankfully, I can edit the PDF and remove that link. So, I tried uploading a new file *only to discover that the URL is somehow embedded in the document.*

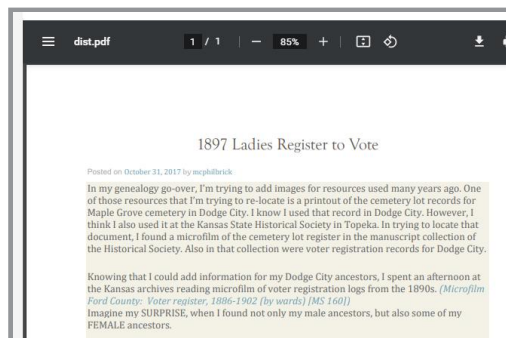
So, I investigated the settings on my non-business WordPress account and couldn't find anything to allow me to print the post without the embedded URL.

Plan 2 was to go back to the post and try copying and pasting it into Word.



That got the information and the images into a Word document. Resizing the image allowed me to get the information onto one page. I then saved this as a PDF file.

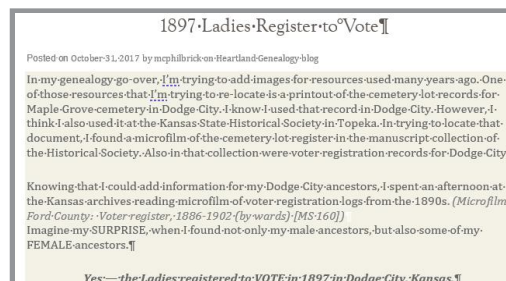
I then uploaded this new PDF file to FamilySearch. When I go to the Memories for Mary Foster (where the file was uploaded) and open the memory, I can click on the file without it opening my blog. Thus, the URL is no longer embedded in the file. Unfortunately, there are links embedded in the document.



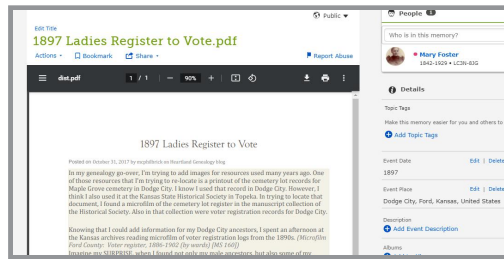
To get rid of those links, I go back to the Word document

- highlight the text
- right click
- select remove link

This removes the links – but the text remains blue. Even though the text is blue, clicking on it won't cause a page to open. However, someone might see the blue and assume there is an embedded URL. Thus, I need to change the text color.



I then save the file as a PDF and upload this new version to FamilySearch.



Hopefully, I found all of the URLs and this file will not become 'restricted'.

Now, I have to get to work and fix the other files that have been restricted.

Thespians

Thursday, April 22, 2021

Photos of my uncle LR Crawford and fellow Thespians at Dodge City Senior High School. I'm not sure of the dates for this play, but LR graduated from high school in 1956.



Obit Finds

Friday, April 23, 2021

Do you do descendancy research? If so, do you dig as deeply researching those descendants as you do researching your ancestors?

I do research descendants. In my early days of research, I found that learning about the siblings and their families helped me locate more information about my ancestors. Thus, I've had many of these descendants in my files for some time. Now with tons of DNA matches, I'm finding that having these descendants in my database helps me figure out how I'm related to these matches.

However, I do not dig as deeply when researching these descendants. I tend to stick to those leaf hints on Ancestry and even ignore some of them. Basically, I'm after records to document their birth, marriage, death, burial and family relationships.

However, I sometimes get a hint from one record that causes me to want to look for other records to prove that hint. That happened recently when I had a hint leading to an obituary for the spouse of a distant cousin. Not only did that obituary cause me to look for the cousin's obituary but to also look for newspaper articles to verify a comment in the spouse's obituary: that her husband had owned a store in Marysville, Kansas. (For those who are unaware, I live in Seneca, KS which is 30 miles east of Marysville.)

So, my trek thru the newspapers started with the obituary for Mrs. Geneva Hammond, wife of Charles N. Hammond.

Mrs. Geneva Hammond

Leader in Womens Clubs dies at 99

Widow of Kansas City, Kansas

City Councilman Was Active for Y.W. C.A.

Mrs. Geneva Wier Hammond, 99, of 3118 West Parkwood boulevard, Kansas city, Kansas was a resident of Greater Kansas City nearly 70 years and a club leader, died early today at a rest home at 622 Benton boulevard. She would have been 100 years old January 27.

Mrs. Hammond was the widow of **C. N. Hammond, who died in 1908**. He was sales manager for the Pittsburgh Paving Brick company in Kansas City and a member of the Kansas City, Kansas, city council.

Helped Found Two Clubs

A pioneer in women's club activities in Kansas City, Kansas, Mrs. Hammond was a founder of the book review club in 1896 and three years later helped organize Gunsaulus C.L.S.C. Two organizations to which she devoted considerable time and interest were the Young Women's Christian association and the Bethel Neighborhood center.

The latter organization, a center of recreation and educational activities for all ages in the vicinity of Seventh street and Central avenue, was probably closest to her heart. She served as secretary of the board for eighteen years and was chairman of the House committee. She also served numerous terms on the Y.W.C.A. board of directors.

She was a life member of Mendias chapter of the Easter Star Lodge and a member of the First Baptist church.

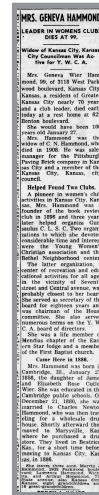
Came Here in 1886

Mrs. Hammond was born in Cambridge, Ill., January 27, 1858, the daughter of James and Elizabeth Rose Cutler Wier. She was educated in the Cambridge public schools. On

December 21, 1880, she was married to Charles Newton Hammond, who was then traveling for a wholesale drug house. Shortly afterward **they moved to Marysville, Kas., where he purchased a drug store.** They lived in Beatrice, Kas., for a short time before moving to Kansas City, Kansas in 1886.

She leaves three sons, Marvin J. Hammond, 2923 Parkwood boulevard,; Lawrence Hammond, Wichita and Arthur Hammond, 717 State avenue, also Kansas City, Kansas; eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

"Mrs. Geneva Hammond," *The Kansas City Star (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 14 November 1957, page 5; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 17 March 2021).



Since Mrs. Hammond's obituary was in *The Kansas City Star*, I was curious as to whether I could find her husband's obituary in the same paper. A search of *Newspapers.com* for Hammond in October 1908 in Kansas City turned up the obituary.

Charles N. Hammond Is Dead Heart Disease Cause the End of the Kansas City, Kas., Man

Charles N. Hammond, who was connected with business institutions in Kansas City twenty-three years, was stricken with heart disease at 7 o'clock this morning while at breakfast at his home, 2059 Walnut street, Kansas City, Kas. He died in fifteen minutes.

Mr. Hammond was 51 years old and was born in Oneida, Ill. He came to Kansas City in 1885 and formed a partnership with Abner Hood in the chemical manufacturing business. Later he was a broker in chemicals on Union avenue, and still later he was sales manager for the Peet Brothers Manufacturing company. After five years of service with that concern he engaged in the bond brokerage business. For the last two years he was sales manager for the Pittsburg Diamond Brick company.

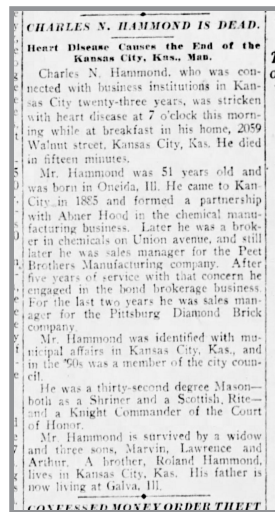
Mr. Hammond was identified with municipal affairs in Kansas City, Kas., and in the '90s was a member of the city council.

He was a thirty-second degree Mason — both as a Shriner and a Scottish, Rite and a Knight Commander of the Court of Honor.

Mr. Hammond is survived by a widow and three sons, Marvin, Lawrence and Arthur. A brother, Roland Hammond lives in Kansas City, Kas. His father is now living at Galva, Ill.

"Charles N. Hammond Is Dead," *The Kansas City Star (Kansas City, Missouri)*, 24

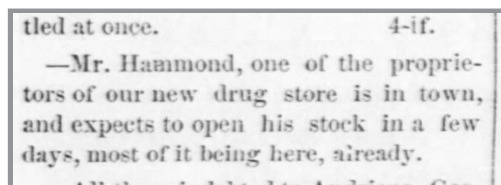
October 1908, page 2; digital image, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 17 March 2021).



Curious about this drug store that Charles N. Hammond purchased in Marysville, Kansas, I turned again to *Newspapers.com*. I was fortunate to find short articles about the store, including its purchase and its sale.

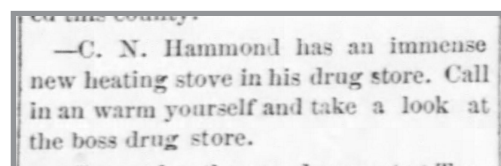
Mr. Hammond, one of the proprietors of our new drug store is in town, and expects to open his stock in a few days, most of it being here, already

"Local News," *Marshall County News (Marysville, Kansas)*, 26 February 1881, page 3; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 18 March 2021).



C. N. Hammond has an immense new heating stove in his drug store. Call in an warm yourself and take a look at the boss drug store.

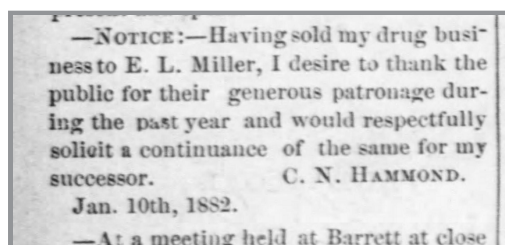
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Notice: Having sold my drug business to E. I. Miller, I desire to thank the public for their generous patronage during the past year and would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same for my successor.

C. N. Hammond
Jan. 10th 1882

"Local News," *Marshall County News (Marysville, Kansas)*, 13 January 1882, page 3; digital images, *Newspapers.com* (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 18 March 2021).



—NOTICE:—Having sold my drug business to E. L. Miller, I desire to thank the public for their generous patronage during the past year and would respectfully solicit a continuance of the same for my successor. C. N. HAMMOND.
Jan. 10th, 1882.
—At a meeting held at Barrett at close

I'm thankful I followed that one hint in his wife's obituary. Otherwise, I never would have found him in Marshall County, Kansas owning a drug store.

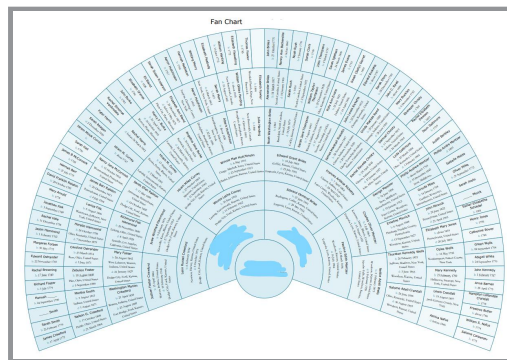
Supporting Evidence

Saturday, April 24, 2021

#DNA #52Ancestors

Do you ever look at a genealogy resource with rose colored glasses? In other words, do you perceive that resource as the one resource that will break thru brick walls? That is how I approached DNA testing.

Unlike many people who are testing their DNA, I already knew a lot about my ancestors. Even though the following chart was recently created with the preview edition of RootsMagic 8, I had most of these ancestors in my file when I started working with DNA over 5 years ago.

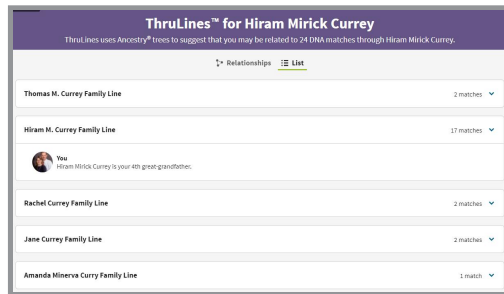


So, learning that autosomal DNA goes back 6 to 8 generations or 150-200 years was a disappointment. (information from Mark McDermott's blog, How Many Generations Does DNA Go Back)

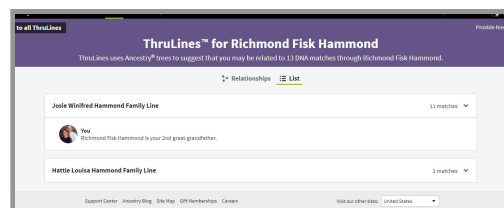
Even though DNA likely won't help me identify that 'next' generation, I am finding that it is providing 'Supporting Evidence' for my current research.

For example, my Currey line goes thru several generations of Hiram Curreys to the Hiram Mirick Currey who was the treasurer of the state of Ohio in 1819. Through the years, I've worked with other researchers and collected documents that appear to support the lineage. However, I don't have a deed, will or probate record that ties one generation to the next.

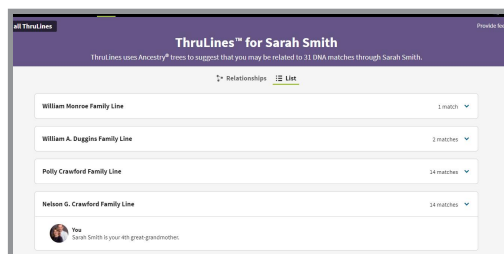
Thanks to Ancestry ThruLines, some of my matches show up as descendants of Hiram Mirick Currey thru his other children.



Not only do I look for descendants thru other children, I also look for descendants thru a different spouse. For example, my 2nd great-grandfather, Richmond Fisk Hammond, remarried after his wife, my 2nd great-grandmother died. He had a daughter thru this second marriage. ThruLines supports this second family.



Another example is my ancestor, James Crawford's wife, Sarah Smith Duggins. Since she had a previous marriage, I'm hoping to use her ThruLines to learn more about my Smith ancestors.

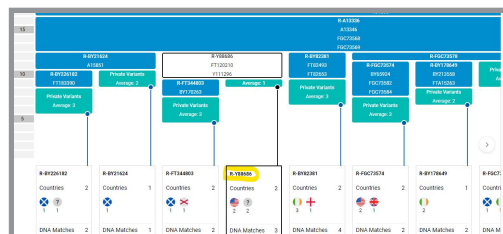


I've found that my Ancestry ThruLines data can also point out spots in my tree that might be incorrect. For example, I have James B McCormick and Sarah Hall as the parents of Nancy Jane McCormick Ralston (1818-1907). When I look at ThruLines, James B. McCormick has 4 matches with two of those being my brothers. That's not a lot of support for him being the father of Nancy, especially when compared to his wife Sarah Hall who has 30 DNA matches.



I've taken advantage of the ability to download my Ancestry DNA and upload my results to other sites, including GedMatch and My Heritage. Because my ancestry is basically colonial, my Ancestry results are providing more connections than My Heritage. Thus, I spend most of my 'DNA time' working with Ancestry data.

Not only was I wearing rose colored glasses when doing autosomal DNA testing, but also when having my brother do yDNA testing. I was hoping that this test would identify my Crawford ancestors. Unfortunately, that hasn't proven to be true to date.



Even though yDNA hasn't helped identify the parents of James Crawford, it has proven a connection with the other James Crawford families in Garrard County, Kentucky.

As pointed out by several genetic genealogists, tools such as triangulation or segment data are needed to prove a genetic relationship. These tools are not available on Ancestry where the majority of my DNA data resides. With an over-abundance of DNA data, I'm content (for now) with not being able to use my DNA data as scientific proof of a relationship. Instead, I will continue to use it as a tool to evaluate my tree and as a way to connect with cousins who might have additional information.

Smith Mystery

Sunday, April 25, 2021

#SaturdayNightGenealogyFun

Here is your assignment, should you decide to accept it (you ARE reading this, so I assume that you really want to play along – cue the Mission Impossible music!):

1) We all have “elusive ancestors” that we cannot find a name for, or one that absolutely eludes us, but we know some details about their spouse and/or children.

2) Tell us about one of them – how are you related? What do you know about them? Where did they live? etc.

I’ve written a lot about my Crawford brick wall along with several other challenging lines. However, I don’t believe I written much about my SMITH brick lines.

I have at least three Smith lines in my tree:

- Martha Smith (1815-1871) wife of Nelson G. Crawford
- Martha’s mother-in-law, Sarah “Sallie” Smith (1770-1856)
- Possibly Mary Ann Smith (abt 1762 – after 1830), wife of John Ricketts — IF my RICKETTS lineage is correct

I think I know the given name of Martha’s mother — but that is strictly based on a memory. I’ve had the privilege of visiting the West Lebanon cemetery in Warren County, Indiana at least twice and probably three times. On the first or second trip, I remember standing in front of Nelson and Martha Crawford’s stone. When I turned around, there was a stone for Hannah Smith across the isle from Nelson and Martha. On our most recent trip to that cemetery, the stone for Hannah Smith was missing. Since there was a stack of stones against a tree, it looked like some visitors had knocked over quite a few stones. I even managed to capture those visitors on ‘film’. (Note the two deer near the tree with stones stacked at its base.)



After that last trip, I wanted to verify that I hadn’t imagined Hannah Smith’s stone. Thus, I dug out my copy of Warren County, Indiana Cemetery Inscriptions, Volume II by Rosella Jenkins to see if Hannah Smith’s stone was listed. I found her on page 87, the same page as Nelson and Martha Crawford. Since the West Lebanon Cemetery starts on page 80 with page 84 indicating that the following pages are ‘near Stack No. 3 and Stack No. 2’, the Hannah Smith stone on page 87 would be in in the section near Stack No. 3 and Stack No. 2.

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| CRAWFORD, Infant c/o H.O. and W. | d. 4/68/1842 | |
| CRAWFORD, Infant w/o H.O. and W. | d. 11/27/1850 | 47 170 |
| CRAWFORD, Mary E. | d. 4/63/1866 | 24 74 170 |
| CRAWFORD, M. | d. 11/26/1866 | 24 74 170 |
| CRAWFORD, Nelson G. | 10/17/1866 - 3/21/1861 | 14 140 |
| CRAWFORD, Martha A., w/o H.O. | d. 6/9/1871 | |
| RIGGS, Elizabeth, w/o Joseph E. son | d. 11/12/1842 | 178 14 |
| ROBE, David | d. 11/12/1842 | 178 14 |
| GRANT, Elias P., s/o T.J. and M.A. | d. 12/25/1855 | 14 150 |
| GRANT, Sarah A., d/o T.J. and M.A. | d. 8/17/1855 | 74 150 |
| GRANT, Infant d/o T.J. and M.A. | d. 10/6/1859 | 54 180 |
| GRANT, Mary A., w/o T.J. | d. 10/19/1860 | 35 74 150 |
| GRANT, Nancy E., w/o T.J. | d. 9/20/1865 | 14 174 260 |
| GUIN, Hamilton | d. 11/26/1852 | 47 94 210 |
| RIGGS, George | 8/22/1789 - 1/18/1861 | |
| RIGGS, Elizabeth, w/o Geo. | 10/31/1805 - 11/26/1897 | |
| ROY, William, d/o L. and M. | d. 6/28/1860 | 74 50 |
| ROY, Susan, d/o L. and M. | d. 9/27/1861 | 14 210 |
| ROY, Bertha, d/o L. and M. | d. 6/22/1863 | 94 260 |
| ROY, Anna M., d/o L. and M. | d. 5/25/1877 | 14 140 |
| ROY, George, d/o L. and M. | d. 7/7/1879 | 84 150 |
| ROY, Levi | 1/22/1840 - 3/15/1910 | |
| ROY, Minerva, w/o Levi | 5/27/1848 | |
| ACRES, Mary A. | d. 12/6/1845 | 44 34 10 |
| Stone by C. Hecker | | |
| CRAWFORD, William C. | d. 11/6/1868 | 24 114 140 |
| SMITH, Hannah | d. 11/6/1867 | 54 74 140 |
| NIATT, Elizabeth, w/o Isom | d. 11/6/1869 | 24 24 250 |
| RIGGS, Joseph | d. 12/25/1840 | 74 24 |
| RIGGS, Josiah | d. 11/20/1844 | 50 44 40 |
| RIGGS, Mahala, w/o Josiah | d. 8/11/1883 | 92 14 260 |
| SIDDUTH, Taddie, Co. K 33 Ind. Vol. | d. 7/18/1865 | 44 34 140 |
| SIDDUTH, Nancy | d. 10/25/1864 | 40 114 220 |
| MILLER, Gracie, d/o (S.) and M.A. | d. 12/2/1865 | 74 |
| MILLER, Emma, d/o (L.J.) and M.A. | d. 11/17/1861 | 54(100) |
| FL, Emma, d/o A.H. and M.A. | d. 4/23/1851 | 104 10 |
| Footstones: A. A. S. | | |
| E. S. | | |
| P. S. | | |
| T. S. | | |
| SMITH, Mary E., w/o T.J. | d. 2/11/1818 | 374 44 170 |
| SMITH, Eliza, s/o T.J. and M.E. | d. 3/18/1877 | 54 230 |
| RAINES, Susan, w/o G. | d. 12/20/1866 | 66 34 140 |
| WESMORE, Flora Arabell, d/o William and Mary | d. 9/20/1864 | 14 64 120 |
| WESMORE, Mary Louisa, d/o William and Mary | d. 12/12/1855 | 16 44 |
| BRINEY, Ruth Ann, d/o P.S. and E. | d. 6/22/1867 | 44 |
| BRINEY, Louisa S., d/o Peter S. and S.J. | d. 9/30/1855 | 14 54 |
| BRINEY, William M., s/o P.S. and E. | d. 9/23/1860 | 114 230 |

Since my first trip to this cemetery was before the standards for taking pictures of tombstones changed, my photo of the stone was created using a procedure taught by many genealogy societies at the time: shaving cream. Since I don't want to encourage anyone to use this method, I don't usually share pictures obtained during that time period. However, my picture of the missing stone may be one of the few that exist.



I haven't actively tried to research Hannah for a long time. Besides the information from her tombstone, her daughter, Martha's marriage in 1833 may place Hannah in Warren County at that time. The work of Warren County historian, Walter Salts, may contain helpful information. Researching his files will require a trip to Danville, Illinois.

Even though I haven't been able to find any evidence to support my belief of a relationship between Hannah Smith and Martha Crawford, I have learned some lessons from this research.

- Books are still needed. With the stone now missing, the book is one of the few records that it ever existed.
- Standards can change. Thus, I must stay connected with other genealogists and genealogical societies so that I will be aware of those changes.

- Not everything is on the Internet. The research records collected by previous genealogists may hold the answer. These are often found in archives and local historical or genealogical societies

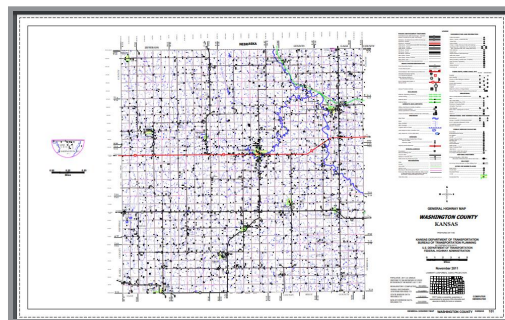
Maps

Monday, April 26, 2021

Do you use your phone's map app or your car's GPS to figure out how to get somewhere? I know I do. However, there are times when I want a good old fashioned map.

Recently, that was the case when my husband and I were planning a trip to visit the historic marker for the 6th Prime Meridian. Unlike many historic markers, this particular one is not along a highway. Thus, we needed to figure out which were the best roads to get us there. Yes, that is roads as in plural. You see, I live in Kansas where we have north-south roads and east-west roads almost every mile. That means there was the potential of approaching this marker from all four directions.

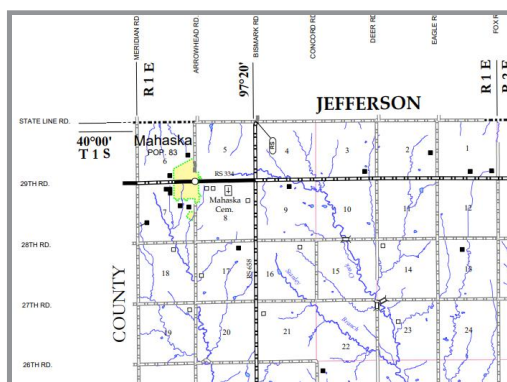
Hoping to find a paved road to the marker located in Washington County, Kansas, I googled ' Washington county kansas paved roads' and found a county map showing all of the roads and their status published by the Kansas Department of Transportation.



The legend indicated that the roads could vary from a minor road made of soil (i.e. a dirt road) to a minor road with stone or gravel (i.e. a gravel road) to a minor paved road. Rural secondary roads are the next level up but they could be unpaved (i.e. a gravel road) or paved.

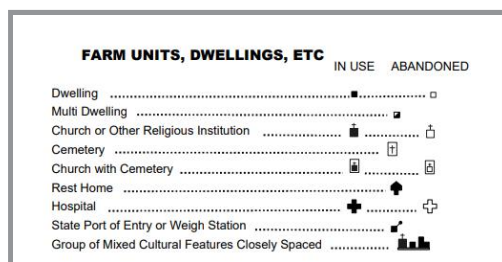
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| US Route - Undivided | |
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| RS Route - Unpaved | |
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| Minor Road - Soil | |
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The Meridian marker is located one mile west and one mile north of the town of Mahaska. Thus we basically had to figure out how to get to Mahaska.

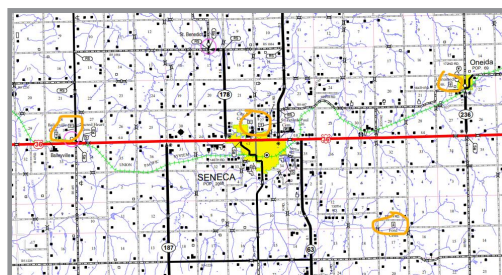


A study of the Washington and Republic county maps indicated that we would need to use gravel roads to get to Mahaska.

In the process of using these county maps to figure out the roads, I discovered that these Kansas maps have a symbol on the legend for the cemeteries.



Curious as to whether other Kansas county maps had cemeteries marked, I looked up the Nemaha county map. And found that the cemeteries are marked on the map.

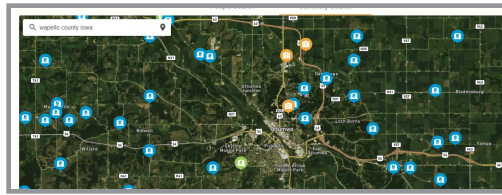


Further investigation of county road maps revealed that I could also find maps with cemeteries marked for Nebraska and Missouri. However, when I tried to locate maps that included the cemeteries for counties in Iowa, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, I was not successful.

Even a Google search for "Wapello county Iowa cemetery map" did not quickly locate such a map. One of the results of this search was a link to Find A Grave where the cemeteries in the county were listed. However, a map of those cemeteries was not quickly found.

Knowing that Billion Graves automatically puts a tombstone on a map, I wondered

whether I could access a cemetery map on Billion Graves. A cemetery search of Billion Graves for Wapello County Iowa produced a map showing many of the cemeteries.



By paying attention to that legend on the Washington county map, I now know that

- Many state departments of transportation produce county level maps of the roads
- County level road maps indicate the condition of the smaller roads in the county
- Some county maps produced by the state department of transportation include a symbol marking the location of the cemeteries in the county
- Billion Graves provides a map of the cemeteries in a county

So how can I apply this new knowledge?

- Combining this knowledge of cemetery locations with land ownership maps, I can figure out which cemeteries were closest to where an ancestor lived and then search that cemetery's information on sites such as Find a Grave or Billion Graves
- Combining maps of cemeteries and county roads, I can plan a visit to a rural cemetery

Even though I like my GPS and map apps, these county level road maps are going in my genealogy tool box!

Nemaha County Newspapers

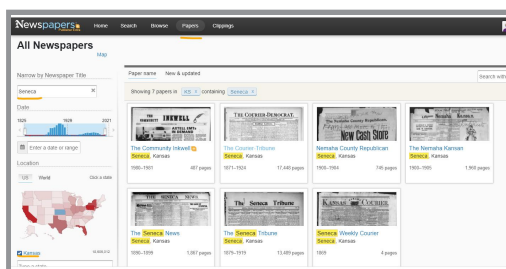
Tuesday, April 27, 2021

When doing your genealogy research, do you ever encounter a source in a different place? That's what happened to me recently with The Courier Tribune, a Nemaha County, Kansas newspaper.

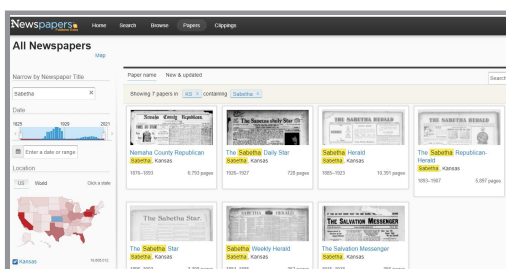
The Seneca Free Library had their newspaper collection digitized by Advantage Archives. The library home page contains a link to this collection of digitized newspapers. Several other public libraries have done the same. This includes Sabetha (Nemaha County), Kansas and Hiawatha (Brown County), Kansas.

Thus, when I followed an Ancestry hint for a marriage announcement in a newspaper, I was surprised to find this article in The Courier-Tribune (Seneca, KS) on Newspapers.com.

Curious about what newspapers from Nemaha County could be found on Newspapers.com, I started searching using the papers menu. A search for **Seneca** in the state of Kansas turned up seven different papers, including The Courier-Tribune.

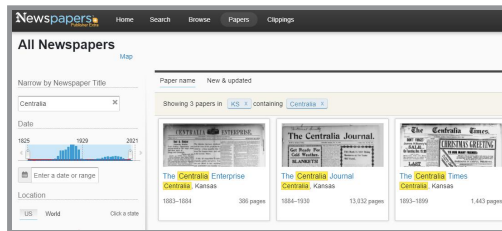


A similar search for “**Sabetha**” and “**Kansas**” also turned up seven titles.

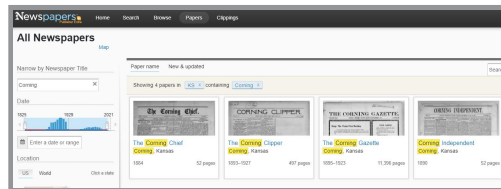


Continuing to search for the smaller communities provided even more titles that had been digitized.

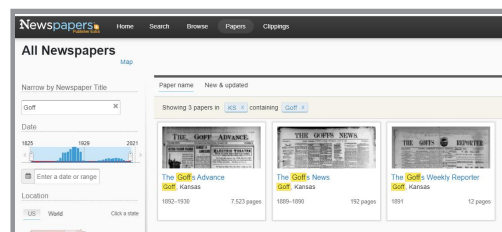
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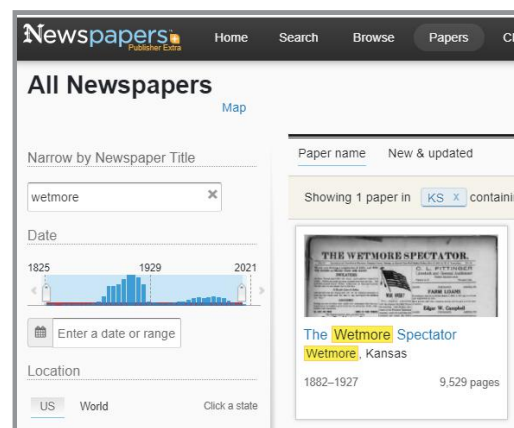
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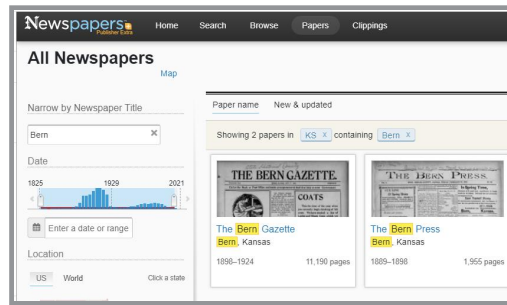
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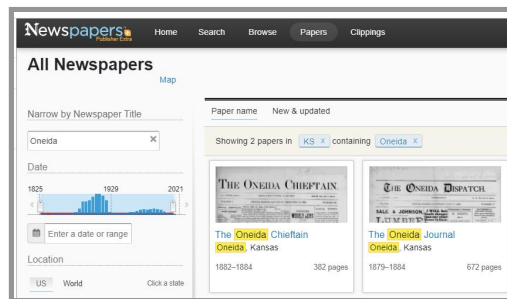
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The digitization of these early newspapers has been facilitated by the Kansas State Historical Society as part of their Kansas Digital Newspapers program. Through grants from the National Digital Newspaper Program, Kansas began digitizing their newspaper collection on Chronicling America. [list of Kansas newspapers on Chronicling America]

In 2013, the Kansas Digital Newspapers program partnered with Newspapers.com to digitize additional pre-1923 papers. This digitization of these pre-1923 newspapers has been completed with nearly 12 million pages available.

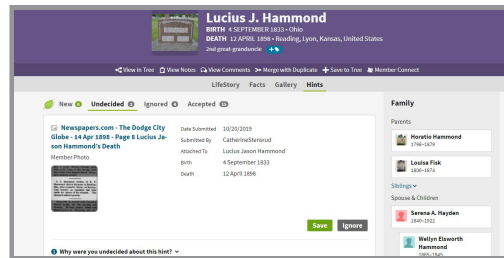
Thus all of the early Nemaha County newspapers are available on Newspapers.com. Kansas residents can access these Nemaha papers and all other newspapers from the Kansas State Historical Society collection for free by verifying their residency when logging in.

Gentle Reminder

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Do you ever see an image or a hint that reminds you to look in that source for small bits of information about family members?

I had that “Oh, yeah, I should look at that source.” feeling when I was working hints for Lucius J. Hammond, my 2nd great granduncle. The hint that caused my reaction was an image of an article in the Dodge City Daily Globe.



Since Lucius died in Lyon County, Kansas and not Ford County, Kansas, one might not dig deep enough to find the article in the Dodge City newspaper. However, Lucius' brother, Richmond Hammond was living in Dodge City at the time. Since I believe the Dodge City newspapers from that time period contained a lot of town gossip, it does not surprise me that a death notice for Richmond's brother was in those newspapers.

A simple search of Newspapers.com for Hammond in April 1898 in Dodge City, Kansas turned up the death notice.

L. J. Hammond, brother of R. F. Hammond, died at his home in Reading, Kas., after a painful illness, on Monday. Last October an operation had been made for cancer of the stomach. The deceased suffered greatly.

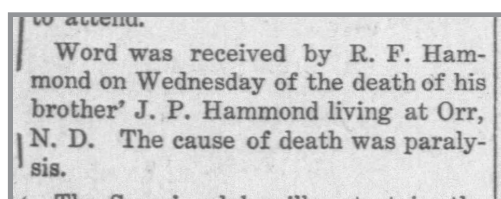
"Additioinal Local," The Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, Kansas), 14 April 1898, page 8; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 25 March 2021).

Thus, the reminder! I needed to check the Dodge City papers for other news related to Richmond's siblings. Since Richmond only lived in Dodge between 1886 and 1909, I decided to look for events within that time span.

That led me to a death notice for Richmond's brother Jehiel P. Hamond who died in North Dakota in 1907.

Word was received by R. F. Hammond on Wednesday of the death of his brother J. P. Hammond living at Orr, N.D. The cause of death was paralysis.

"Brief Items of Local INterest," The Journal-Democrat (Dodge City, Kansas), 3 May 1907, page 4; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 26 March 2021).



I then searched for the death notice of his sister, Juliet Simms. I had previously found notice that Juliet had fallen and broken her hip.

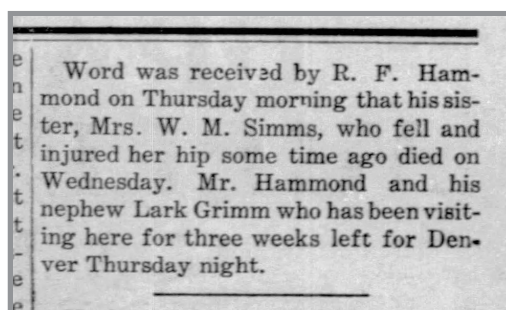
Mrs. Juliet Simms of Denver fell last Tuesday breaking her hip very badly and is not expected to survive the shock. She is the only living sister of R. F. Hammond.

"Local News," The Journal Democrat (Dodge City, Kansas), 31 May 1907, page 4; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 23 March 2020).

However, I did not have a death notice and I did not have her date of death. Curious about what I would find in the Dodge City papers, I tried a different search. I searched for Simms in Dodge City in 1907. That search led me to a notice of her death.

Word was received by R. F. Hammond on Thursday morning that his sister, Mrs. W. M. Simms, who fell and injured her hip some time ago died on Wednesday. Mr. Hammond and his nephew Lark Grimm who has been visiting here for three weeks left for Denver Thursday night.

"Local News," The Journal-Democrat (Dodge City, Kansas), 26 July 1907, page 1; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 26 March 2021).



Not only did this search turn up a death date for Juliet Hammond Simms, but also uncovered a nephew of Richmond Hammond that I don't have in my records, Lark Grimm.

Thus, the image hint for Lucius Hammond was a gentle reminder to search the papers where the siblings lived for news of other siblings. This 'gentle reminder' also provided reinforcement for why I'm currently researching the siblings of Richmond Hammond — and their descendants. As I learn more about these siblings, I also discover new places to look for more information on the family.

Throwback Thursday

Thursday, April 29, 2021

Hammond Pictures



The identities of these three men may be lost. However, there are some clues in the photo. First, the "Nellie's Father" inscription could mean either Richmond or Cornelius Hammond. Since the photo was passed down from Josie Hammond to my grandparents to me, I believe it is likely Richmond Hammond on the left.

The middle inscription is hard to read, but it may be 'C. Hammond'. If so, then that would be Cornelius Hammond.

The location of the photographer tells me that one of these men lived in or near Emporia, Kansas. Thus, Lucius J. Hammond may be the man on the left

Below are some other photos of Richmond Fisk Hammond for comparison.



Richmond Hammond and his second wife, Mary McClure and her family.

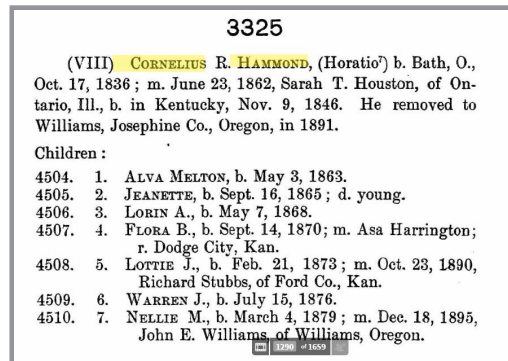


Scavenger Hunt

Friday, April 30, 2021

Do you ever feel like you are on a scavenger hunt when trying to document a family? Well, that's what it felt like today as I tried to document the family of Cornelius R. Hammond, son of Horatio Hammond.

I had some information for the family in my file that came from a published genealogy.



Frederick Stam Hammond, History and Genealogies of the Hammond Families in America: with an account of the early history of the family in Normandy and Great Britain, [SuplAuthor], [Suplrole] (Oneida, New York: Ryan & Burkhart, 1902–1904), digital image, page 519 (image 1290 of 1659) <http://www.ancestry.com> viewed online 28 March 2021.

I also had some census records. When a hint led to an obituary for who might be Cornelius' wife, trying to match up the children was its own puzzle.

Mrs. Hammond Dies at Eastside

Mrs. Sarah Houston Hammond, 88, died at 6:00 a.m. today at Eastside at the home of her two sons, W. J. Hammond and L. A. Hammond. She had been ill for the past two weeks.

Mrs. Hammond had lived at Eastside for the past five years coming here from Grants Pass. She is survived by a son, Alvi Hammond of Grants Pass: three daughters, Mrs. Nellie McComas of Roseburg, Mrs. Olive Patterson of Roseburg and Mrs. H. R. Williams of Eastside and two sons of Eastside.

The body is at the Campbell funeral home, where the funeral will be held at 2:00 o'clock Friday, with interment at Sunset.

"Mrs. Hammond Dies at Eastside," The World (Coos Bay, Oregon), 21 December 1932, page 1; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 27 March 2021).

Since W. J. could be Warren J and L. A. could be Lorin A., along with Alvi Hammond, the sons appear to match up. When it comes to the daughters, the book shows a daughter named Nellie, but she is married to a Williams instead of a McComas. And Flora and Lottie are married to men named Harrington and Stubbs and not Patterson and Williams.

Hoping the FamilySearch tree would help figure out whether this obituary fit the family of Cornelius Hammond, I checked the tree to see whom the tree had as the husband of

Flora B. Hammond. I discovered that the tree did not have a husband or children for Flora. I found the same to be true for Lettie Hammond: no husband and no children. The tree did have a McComas husband for Nellie, Joseph Leonard McComas. However, it did not have John Williams listed as her husband. Thus, the FamilySearch tree was not helpful in figuring out whether this obituary was for the wife of Cornelius Hammond.

Thus, I turned to Ancestry hints. Most of the hints for the children were for census records. However, one hint for Lettie Hammond was to a newspaper announcement of the marriage of Miss Letta Hammond to Richard Stubbs.

Mr. Richard Stubbs and Miss Letta Hammond, both of this county, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, south of this city, at three o'clock on Thursday, October 23, 1890; Rev. J. M. Wright, officiating. Mr. Stubbs is a brother to Sam. Stubbs, of the Central Grocery, and holds a position there; he is steady in his habits and has many friends among our people. Miss Hammond is a very popular young lady and has many friends among our people

"Local News," The Journal-Democrat (Dodge City, Kansas), 25 October 1890, page 4; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 27 March 2021).

The puzzling aspect of this hint was that it was in a newspaper from Dodge City, Kansas. The records I had for the family indicated that they were in Illinois, Iowa and Oregon – but not Kansas.

However, Cornelius' brother, Richmond Fisk Hammond was in Dodge City. Thus, I decided to search the Dodge City papers for Cornelius Hammond between 1885 and 1895. This search revealed that Cornelius Hammond and his son, Alva, homesteaded in Ford county, Kansas.

Notice for Publication

Land office at Garden city, Kansas

March 10th, 1890

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler, who made homestead entry No 1,581 has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the judge or in his absence the clerk of the district court of Ford county, Kansas at his office in Dodge City, Kansas, on the 25th day of April 1890, viz:

Alva M Hammond, of Ford county, Kansas, final homestead, for lots 3, 4, 5 and southeast quarter northwest quarter section No. 6 township No. 27 south range No. 26 west, Ford county, Kansas. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: S. F. Coates and Wallace Johnson, of Dodge City, Kansas, F. A. Etrick of Ensign, and Eugene Hall of Cimarron, Kansas.

Also at the same time and place Cornelius R. Hammond, final homestead No. 1582, for the lots 6 and 7, and southwest quarter southwest quarter of section No. 6, township No. 27 south range No. 26 west, Ford county, Kansas. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: S. F. Coates and Wallace Johnson, both of Dodge City, Kansas, F. A. Etrick of Ensign, Eugene Hall of Cimarron, Kansas.

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D. M. Frost, Register

First publication March 12th, 1890

"Notice for publication," The Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, Kansas), 19 March 1890, page 8; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 27 March 2021).

The notice regarding the homestead claim was in a March 1890 newspaper. Thus, the announcement of the marriage of Letta Hammond to Richard Stubbs is likely for the daughter of Cornelius Hammond.

Thinking that Lettie's husband, Richard had died, I started searching for an obituary for Richard or a second marriage for Lettie prior to 1932. I did not find an obituary. Instead I found a couple of references to a Richard Stubbs having been divorced. At this point, I don't have enough information to say it is the same Richard Stubbs, but it would explain a remarriage for Lettie. And that is what is puzzling. I found a marriage record for Lettie L. Stubbs to Sam R. Brisbin dated 21 Apr 1923 occurring in Douglas County, Oregon.

There is a Lettie Brisbine on the 1930 census in Douglas county with an 18 year old Charles Stubbs in the household. The ages for Lettie are almost identical between the 1920 and 1930 census. However the 1920 census for the Richard Stubbs household includes an 8 year old boy named Charles. Even though Lettie is listed as a widow on the 1930 census, Samuel Brisbin is also found living in Douglas County, Oregon in 1930. Even though the couple appear to be separated on the 1930 census, Lettie is mentioned in the obituary found on Samuel Brisbin's Find a Grave site.

SAMUEL R. BRISBIN DIED AT AGE OF 70
Samuel R. Brisbin, 70, a native of Douglas county, died Sunday at his home in Roseburg after a long period of ill health. He was born at Lookingglass, July 31, 1860, the son of William M. and Frances A. Brisbin, Oregon pioneers of 1846. He was one of seven children, two of whom are still living, and spent his entire life in Douglas county. In 1875 he moved with his parents to Olalla where he engaged in stock raising and farming for many years. In 1885 he was united in marriage with Sarah C. Kirkendall and to this union eight children were born. In 1907 he returned to Lookingglass and conducted a general merchandise store and post office for 13 years. His wife passed away in 1919 and the following year Mr. Brisbin sold his business at Lookingglass and moved to Edenbower, where he operated a store for three years. He was married in 1923 to Lettie M. Stubbs and again engaged in farming at Olalla. In 1927 he moved to Reedsport and conducted a furniture store for a short time, later moving to North Bend where he managed a store for a few months until his health forced his retirement. During the past few years he has been dividing his time between his farm at Olalla and his home in Roseburg. He was affiliated in membership with the Woodmen of the World, the IOOF and Rebekah lodges. Besides his widow and three stepchildren Mr. Brisbin is survived by two sisters, Mrs. C.B. Roberts of this city, and Mrs. Addie Friend, Medford, and the following children: Walter Brisbin, Brownsville; Ralph Brisbin, Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Frank Henning, Larned, Kan.; Lee Brisbin, Mrs. Fred Kent, Mrs. Harry Lancaster, Mrs. Alba Spough and Mrs. Lee Williams, all of this city. Services will be held in the chapel of the Douglas Funeral home on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. J. Frank Cunningham of the Christian church officiating. Interment will occur in the IOOF cemetery. (June 22, 1931)

Find a Grave, database and images, Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com) : viewed online 27 March 2021), memorial for Samuel Rice Brisbin (1860-1931), Find a Grave Memorial no. #10686310, created by Robin, citing Roseburg IOOF Cemetery, Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon; accompanying photograph by Ida Baker, Samuel Rice Brisbin.

Lettie died in 1941 and her obituary identifies her as Mrs. Samuel R. Brisbin.

Mrs. Samuel R. Brisbin Summoned by Death

Mrs. Samuel R. (Lettie Louise) Brisbin, of Roseburg, died at Mercy hospital Tuesday afternoon following a short illness. Born in Des Moines, Iowa, she had been a resident of Roseburg for many years.

Surviving are a son and two daughters, Carl E. Stubbs, Roseburg; Maude Stone, Pomona, Calif., and Flora Mason, Long Beach, Calif.

Funeral services will be held at the Roseburg undertaking company parlors at 2 p.m.

Friday, Rev. John Barney officiating.

"Mrs. Samuel R. Brisbin Summoned by Death," The News-Review (Roseburg, Oregon), 6 August 1941, page 3; digital images, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 27 March 2021).

Again, a Charles Stubbs is mentioned as a son. The names of the daughters, Flora and Maud, also match the names of the daughters found in the Richard and Leta Stubbs household on the 1910 census. Thus, I am concluding that Lettie Hammond was first married to Richard Stubbs and then to Samuel R Brisbin. No evidence has been found for Lettie going by the name of Mrs. Olive Patterson or Mrs. H. R. Williams as suggested by the obituary of Sara Hammond.

That leaves Flora. According to the Hammond genealogy, Flora was married to Asa Harrington. A marriage record for Flora and Asa has not been found. However, there is a 1900 census record in Coos County, Oregon for a widowed Flora Harrington. Also listed in the household is a 6 year old female, Minnie Harrington. By 1910, Flora is identified as Flora Williams of Myrtle Point in her father's obituary.

Death of Old Timer

C. R. Hammond of Hugo, who has spent the past month in this city under the doctor's care, died Wednesday evening, cause of death being heart trouble. Deceased was 74 years old at the time of his death and had been a sufferer from asthma for several years, until death relieved him of his pain. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Sarah Hammond, of this city and two sons, Loren and Alva Hammond, two daughters, Mrs. Flora Williams of Myrtle Point, and Mrs. Lettie Stubbs of Roseburg, all of whom were with him at the time of his death. Another son who resides in Washington, and a daughter in Colorado are expected to arrive in time for the funeral services, which will take place at Pleasant Valley cemetery Friday at 2 o'clock p.m. The deceased was a kind husband and father and held the respect of all who knew him.

"Death of Old Timer," Weekly Rogue River Courier (Grants Pass, Oregon), 16 December 1910, page 5; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com) : viewed online 27 March 2021).

In 1910, there is a Flora Williams listed as the wife of Joseph Williams living in Myrtle Point, Oregon. Also listed in the household is an 11 year old nephew, Warren Hammond. This Warren Hammond is likely Warren Raymond Hammond, son of Flora's brother, Warren Jephthie Hammond and his first wife Alpha Reed. Since Warren J. Hammond is remarried in 1905, his children by his first wife appear to be living with relatives. There are two obituaries for Warren Jephthie Hammond. One is apparently written by his siblings and the other by his second wife. A son, Warren, is named in one obituary but not the other.

W. J. Hammond of Eastside Called at Independence

W. J. Hammond, 66 resident of Eastside for many years and of Coos Bay since 1912, died at Independence late Thursday or early Friday, children at Eastside were advised by telephone. HE had been working in the valley for two months, his wife and daughter, Belva, being with him. Cause of death was not learned here.

The body will be brought to the Campbell funeral home here where the funeral will be held probably at 2 p.m. Monday, with burial in Sunset cemetery.

Survivors include the widow, three daughters, Belva, Mrs. Eva Hagquist of Bunker Hill,

and Mrs. Flora Fitzpatrick of Vancouver, Was.; also three sons, A. E., Cecil J. of Eastside and Warren R. Hammond of New York. Mrs. Nellie McComas of Roseburg is a sister and Loren Hammond of Eastside is a brother. Mr. Hammond was formerly watchman at Broadway motors and for the McKenna mill.

"W. J. Hammond of Eastside Called at Independence," The World (COos Bay, Oregon), 22 August 1942, page 1; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 27 March 2021).

Hammond Funeral Held Monday in Marshfield

Independence — Funeral services for Warren Jephthie Hammond, who died last Friday at the Wigrich hop ranch south of Independence, were held Monday at Marshfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Hammond had lived here for three months and in Marshfield for 25 years. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Fern Hammond, two sons, Alva and Cecil Hammond, Marshfield; two daughters, Mrs. Flora Fitzpatrick, Vancouver, Wash; and Belva Hammond, at home. Also a brother and sister, Loren Hammond of Marshfield and Mrs. Nellie Commosoff of Roseburg.

"Hammond Funeral Held Monday at Marshfield," *Statesman Journal* (Salem, Oregon), 28 August 1942, page 11; digital image, Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : viewed online 27 March 2021).

Flora William's site on Find a Grave provides even further evidence that she was a Hammond and a sibling of Lettie. The image included on the site is of Flora's death certificate. This death certificate identifies her parents as C. R. Hammond and Sarah Huston. The informant identified on the death certificate is Lettie Brisbane.

Standard Certificate of Death
 Oregon State Board of Health
 Division of Vital Statistics
 STATE OF OREGON

1. PLACE OF DEATH
 (a) County: Coos
 (b) City or town: Norway
 (c) Name of hospital or institution: Peace Hospital
 (d) Length of stay: 18 years

2. (a) FULL NAME: Flora Bell Williams
 (b) Date of birth: 1875
 (c) Sex: Female
 (d) Race: White
 (e) Marital status: Widowed
 (f) Birth date of deceased: September 18, 1875
 (g) Age: 64 years, 5 months, 17 days
 (h) Usual occupation: Housewife
 (i) Informant's name: Lettie Brisbane
 (j) Informant's address: 4-5-42, Albany, Ore.

3. USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED
 (a) County: Oregon
 (b) City or town: Norway
 (c) Street No.: 100
 (d) Foreign born, how long in U. S. A.?

4. MEDICAL CERTIFICATION
 (a) Date of death: March 10, 1940
 (b) Time of death: 10:30 AM
 (c) Cause of death: Heart
 (d) Immediate cause of death: Heart
 (e) Other conditions: Arteriosclerosis, for which she had been treated for some time.
 (f) Name of physician: Dr. J. H. Patterson
 (g) Signature of physician: [Signature]

5. FUNERAL
 (a) Name of funeral home: W. C. Campbell
 (b) Address: Albany, Ore.
 (c) Date of funeral: March 13, 1940
 (d) Place of funeral: Norway
 (e) Name of funeral director: W. C. Campbell
 (f) Address: Albany, Ore.

Find a Grave, database and images, Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com : viewed online 27 March 2021), memorial for Flora Bell Hammond Williams (1875-1940), Find a Grave Memorial no. #136015467, citing Norway Cemetery, Norway, Coos County, Oregon; accompanying photograph by Ernie Krewson, Flora Bell Hammond Williams.

Thus, Flora Hammond was a Flora Williams. However, she was Mrs. Joseph Williams and not Mrs. H.R. Williams.

Even though I still can't figure out the 'Mrs. Olive Patterson' mentioned in the obituary, I do believe that the obituary in question is for Sarah Houston, wife of Cornelius Hammond. I also believe that the information found in the Hammond Genealogy, even

though basically correct, is incomplete.

This family is a great example of why one has to do significant digging and follow any and all small clues to piece the family together.



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| Co. | | 14 Cav. | | Ill. | |
| R. F. Hammond | | | | | |
| Sergt Co. D, 14 Regt Ill. Cav. | | | | | |
| Appears on | | | | | |
| Muster Roll | | | | | |
| of detachment of paroled prisoners at Benton Barracks, Missouri, | | | | | |
| for May & June 1865 | | | | | |
| Station Benton Barracks, Mo. | | | | | |
| Captured: | | | | | |
| When Aug 3, 1864 | | | | | |
| Where Atlanta, Ga. | | | | | |
| Delivered: | | | | | |
| When Feb 25, 1865 | | | | | |
| Where Goldsboro, N. C. | | | | | |
| Reported at Post Mar. 21, 1865 | | | | | |
| Sent from Post May 18, 1865 | | | | | |
| Present or absent | | | | | |
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